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FOREWARD

The Parliament of India occupies a pivotal position in our democratic system. It represents the will and aspirations of the people and is the link between the people and the Government. The Lok Sabha as the House of People is a vibrant forum reflecting our diversity while nourishing our unity and integrity. The Lok Sabha has the duty and responsibility to represent the interests of the people and address the problems and issues confronting the nation.

The Fifteenth Lok Sabha undertook all these tasks in full earnest through legislation, passing of Budget, ventilation of public grievances, discussing matters of public importance and debating policies and matters of national importance, etc.

"The Parliament of India: The Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 2009-2014: A Study" is an attempt to provide to the readers an account of the various work done by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha in its eventful tenure. It also gives a comparative study on some of the work done in previous Lok Sabhas *vis-à-vis* the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

I compliment the Lok Sabha Secretariat for bringing out this important and informative publication. It will contribute towards understanding the business of the House, functioning of various Parliamentary Committees, various procedural devices in ensuring Executive accountability to the Parliament, and also the role played by the representatives of the people.

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Speaker
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December 2015
New Delhi

PREFACE

The Parliament of India occupies a position of pre-eminence in our democratic system. As the House of the People, the Lok Sabha has the duty and responsibility to articulate the urges and expectations of the people and address the problems and issues confronting the nation. The people of the country elect their representatives to the Lok Sabha and the composition of each Lok Sabha after the General Elections, in a way, reflects their wishes and aspirations.

Following the General Elections held in April-May 2009, the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 18 May 2009. Like the other Lok Sabhas before it, members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha hailed from a diverse socio-economic background. Varying in age and educational qualifications, the members presented a wide range of professional background. Occupation-wise, the representation of agriculturists was the highest in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha followed by political and social workers. As far as their educational background is concerned, nearly half of its members were graduates while almost one-fourth of the members were post-graduates. About 34 per cent of members had prior legislative experience of the earlier Lok Sabhas whereas near about fifty per cent of members had prior legislative experience in the State Legislatures. Women constituted 11.01 per cent of the total membership of the House.

Together with the Rajya Sabha, the cardinal functions of the Lok Sabha are legislation, overseeing of administration, passing of the Budget, ventilation of public grievances, discussing matters of public importance and debating policies of national importance. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha too undertook these tasks in full earnest. Several significant events happened in its life span and a large number of important parliamentary initiatives were undertaken on the directions of the Hon'ble Speaker, Smt. Meira Kumar.

An attempt has been made through this Study to provide to the readers an account of the work done by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha in its eventful tenure. The Study attempts a recapitulation of the work of the Lok Sabha through articles, tabular statements, graphs, charts and statistical data, supplemented by brief introductory notes. Readers will also get a glimpse of comparative data on some heads of information *vis-à-vis* the earlier Lok Sabhas.

Following its constitution, the President of India summoned the Fifteenth Lok Sabha to meet on 1 June 2009. In all, the Fifteenth Lok Sabha held 15 sessions spanning 357 sittings and lasting over 1344 hours. The average duration of sittings during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 3 hours and 45 minutes. The House spent 23.79 per cent of its total time on Legislative Business, 20.63 per cent time on Budget, 9.05 per cent time on Questions and 46.53 per cent time on discussions under various procedural devices, *viz.* Motions, Resolutions, Short Duration Discussions, Half-an-Hour Discussions, Calling Attention and others.

An analysis of the Legislative Business during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha shows that 179 bills were passed by the two Houses of Parliament and assented to by the President, including Constitution (Amendment) Bills. Some of the important legislations passed during the period are the Right of Children for Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Act, 2009; the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010; the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012; the National Food Security Act, 2013; the Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2013; The Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act, 2014; and the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2014, etc. In respect of Private Members' Bills, a total of 372 such Bills were introduced, but none of them was passed.

The Question Hour is of considerable significance in ensuring Executive accountability to the Parliament. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 4,43,578 notices of questions were received from the members. However, given the procedural restriction of admission of a fixed number of Starred and Unstarred Questions per day, 79,666 of these, representing 17.95 per cent of the total number of notices received, were admitted and answered.

Two of the significant events during the life of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha were the elections to the offices of the President and the Vice-President of the country during July-August 2012.

Parliamentary Committees have a significant role in securing governmental accountability to the Legislature. There are 24 Departmentally Related Standing Committees of Parliament. Out of these 24 Committees, 16 are serviced

by the Lok Sabha Secretariat and 8 by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Standing Committees presented, in all, 1018 Reports. One of the key initiatives taken during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha in respect of strengthening the Parliamentary Committee System was that a new procedure was adopted which makes it possible for the Chairperson of the Committee to invite local MPs to the sittings of Parliamentary Committees while on Study Tours so as to get their inputs on the issues concerned.

On the initiative of the Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, a website of Lok Sabha Television Channel (LSTV) was launched during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha with a view to bridging the gap between Parliament and people and paving the way for bringing the institution of Parliament nearer to the people. This development would help people of all walks of life in seeking to address their concern through this website.

Several other initiatives of far-reaching importance were taken during the span of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The constitution of three new Parliamentary Forums, *viz.* on Disaster Management; Artisans and Crafts People; and Millennium Development Goals was one such significant initiative.

Another significant step was introduction of new facilities for differently-abled. Inscriptions in Braille for the visually challenged visitors were added to the Parliament Museum.

Efforts were made to make the Parliament complex energy efficient. A Solar Power Plant in the Parliament House was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Speaker. This is a very important step of immense significance towards setting standards for using environment friendly energy.

Steps were taken to make the Secretariat as paperless as possible by harnessing information and communication technologies. The activities of Parliament Library are being digitized.

As a path-breaking initiative, the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha* and *Directions by Speaker Lok Sabha* have been made gender neutral as a part of an effort to promote gender equality.

During the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, memorable events were held in the Central Hall of Parliament like commemoration of the 60th Anniversary of the first sitting of the Parliament by holding a special sitting on 13 May 2012. We had the honour to receive, H.E. Mr. Barack H. Obama, the President of the United States of America, who addressed the members of both the Houses of Parliament assembled in the Central Hall on 8 November 2010. The Parliament of India had the proud privilege to organize the 20th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC) in New Delhi from 4 to 8 January 2010, and the Fifth Conference of the Association of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Speakers and Parliamentarians in New Delhi from 9 to 12 July 2011.

On the directions of the Hon'ble Speaker, for the first time a Special Training Programme in parliamentary processes and procedures for Parliamentary Officers was organized in Arabic and Spanish languages.

The last Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was held in two parts. The first part of the Session was held from 5 to 18 December 2013 and adjourned *sine die* on 18 December 2013, but the House was not prorogued. The Lok Sabha was subsequently reconvened for the second part of the Session on 5 February 2014 and the last sitting of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was held on 21 February 2014 and the House was prorogued on 27 February 2014. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha was dissolved on 18 May 2014.

We hope that this Study containing an overview of the business of the House, the work of Parliamentary Committees and other significant activities of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha will be found useful and informative by all interested readers.

Anoop Mishra
Secretary-General
Lok Sabha

December 2015
New Delhi

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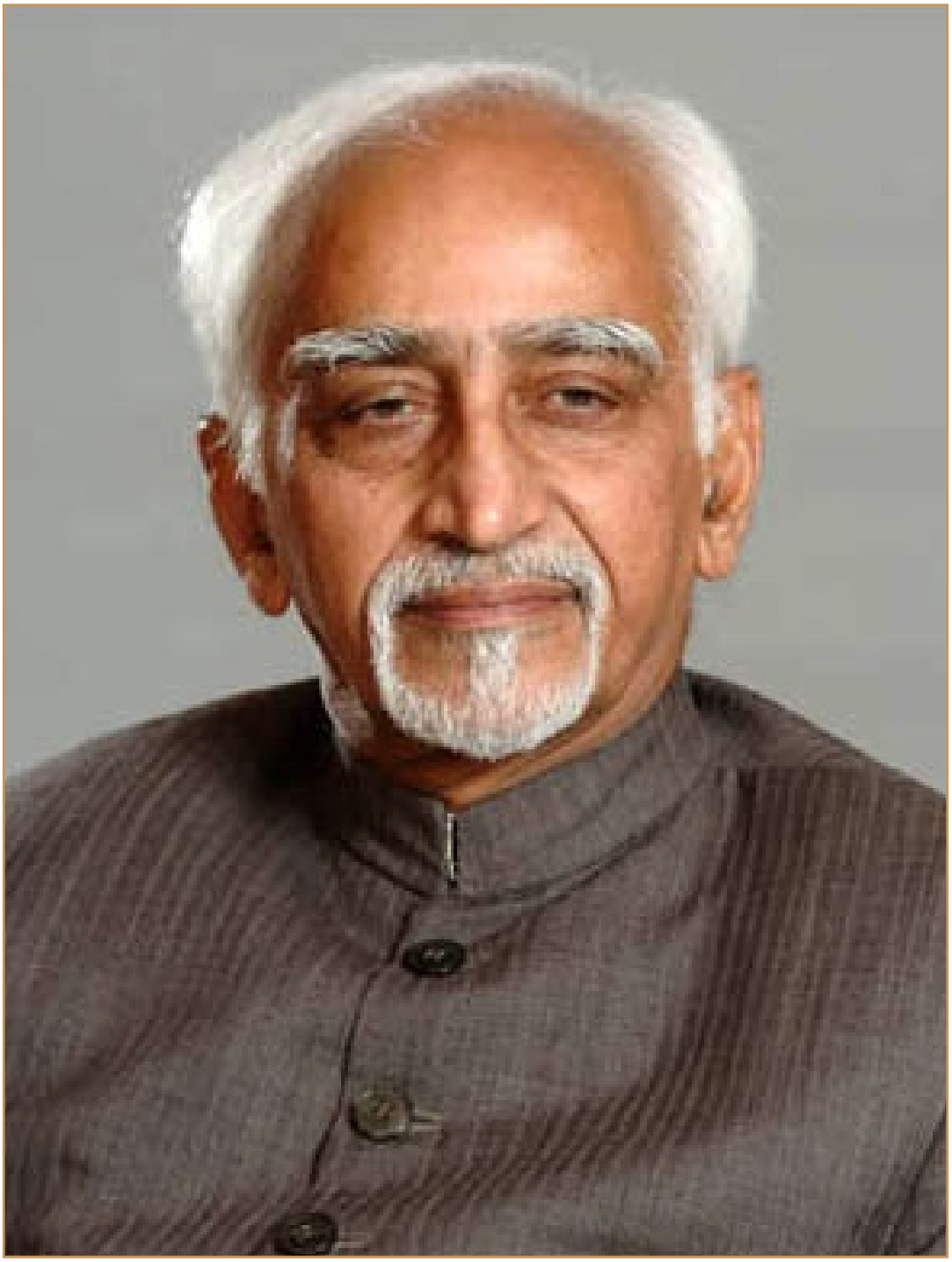
SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE
President of India
(25.7.2012 – till date)

Leader of the House
(29.5.2009 – 25.7.2012)

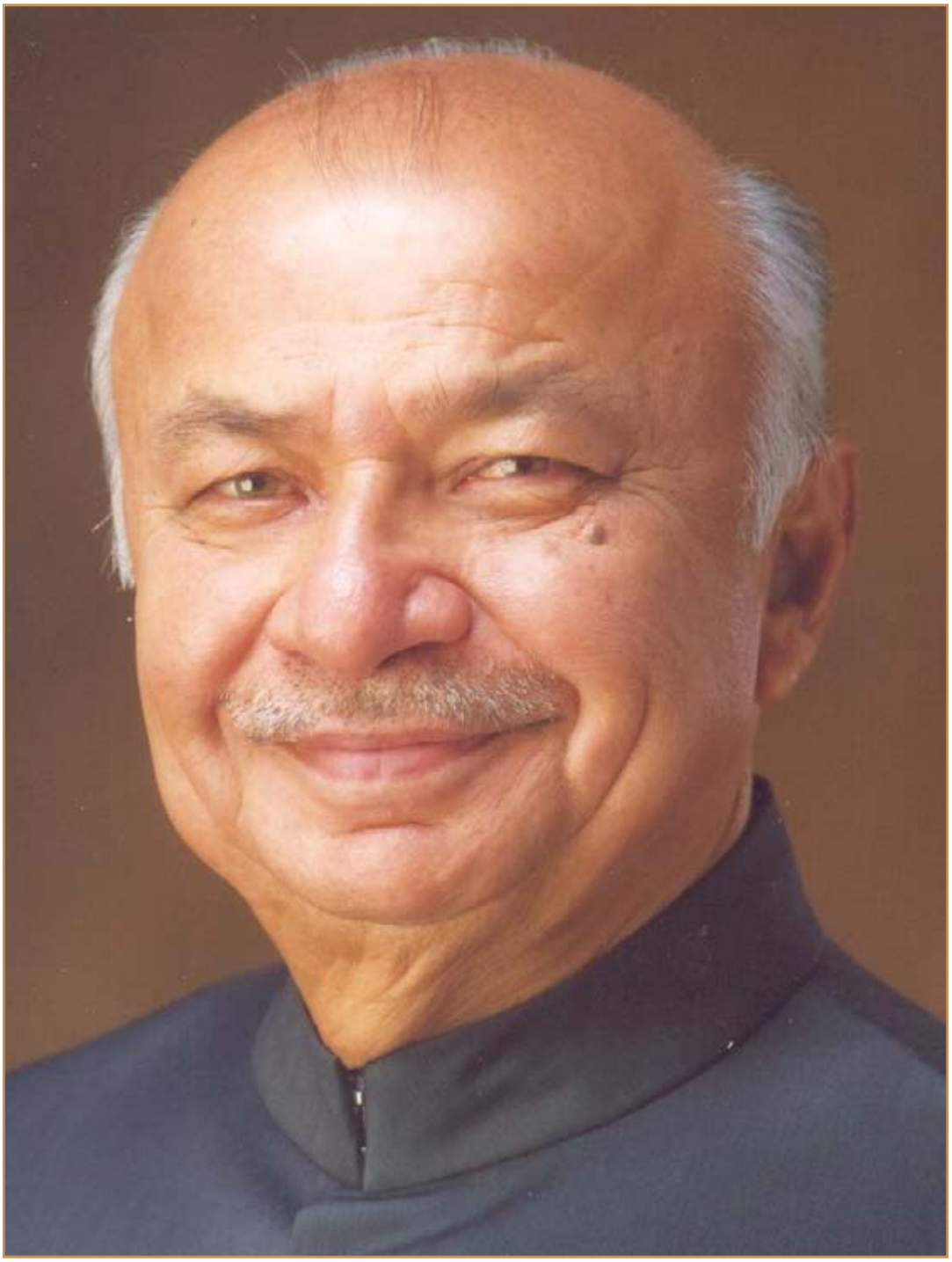
SMT. PRATIBHA DEVISINGH PATIL
President of India
(25.7.2007 – 25.7.2012)



SHRI MOHAMMAD HAMID ANSARI
Vice-President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha
(11.8.2007 – till date)

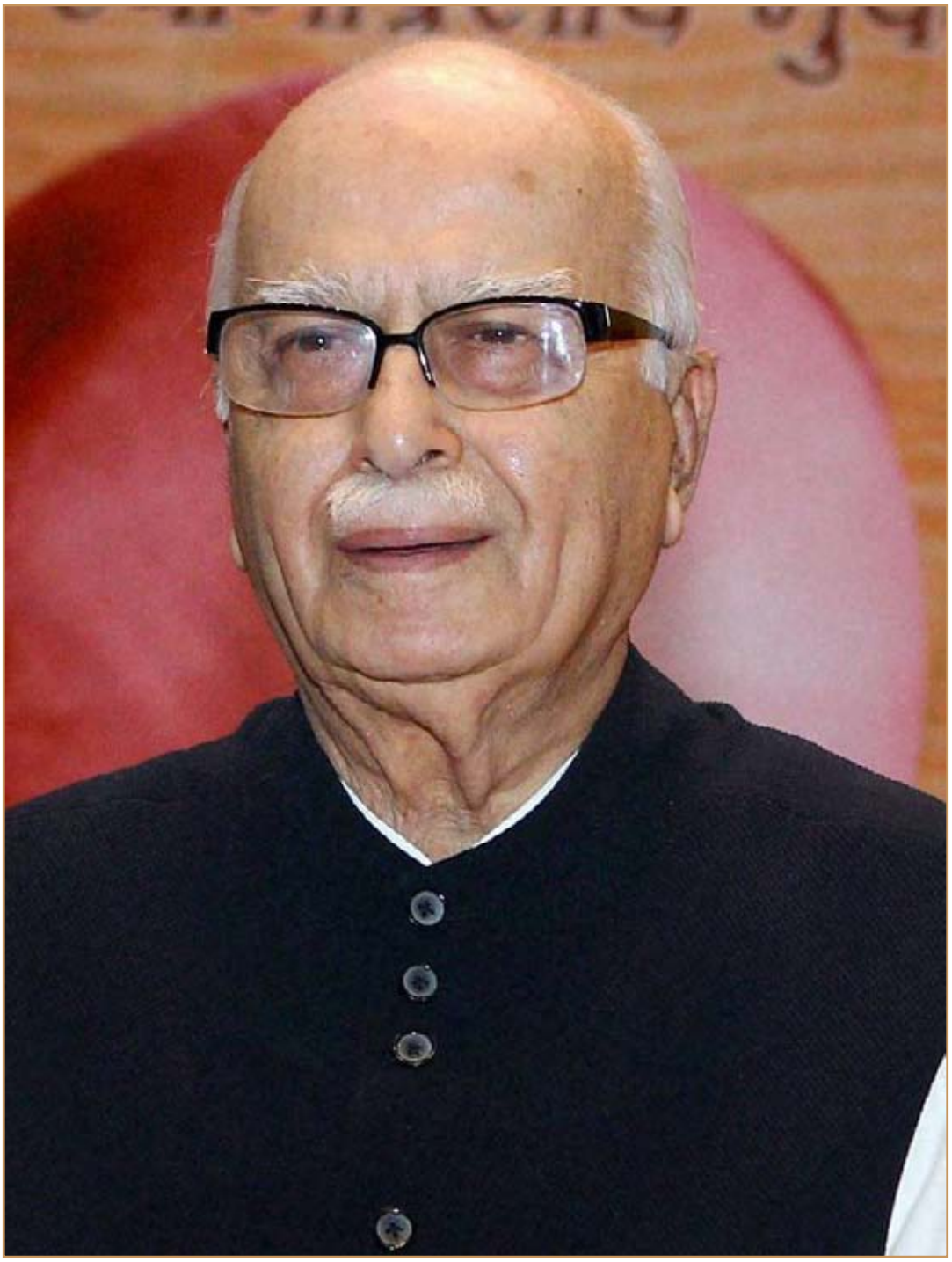
DR. MANMOHAN SINGH
Prime Minister of India
(22.5.2004 – 26.5.2014)

SMT. MEIRA KUMAR
Speaker, Lok Sabha
(3.6.2009 – 4.6.2014)



SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE
Leader of the House, Lok Sabha
(3.8.2012 – 18.5.2014)

SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ
Leader of Opposition, Lok Sabha
(21.12.2009 – 18.5.2014)

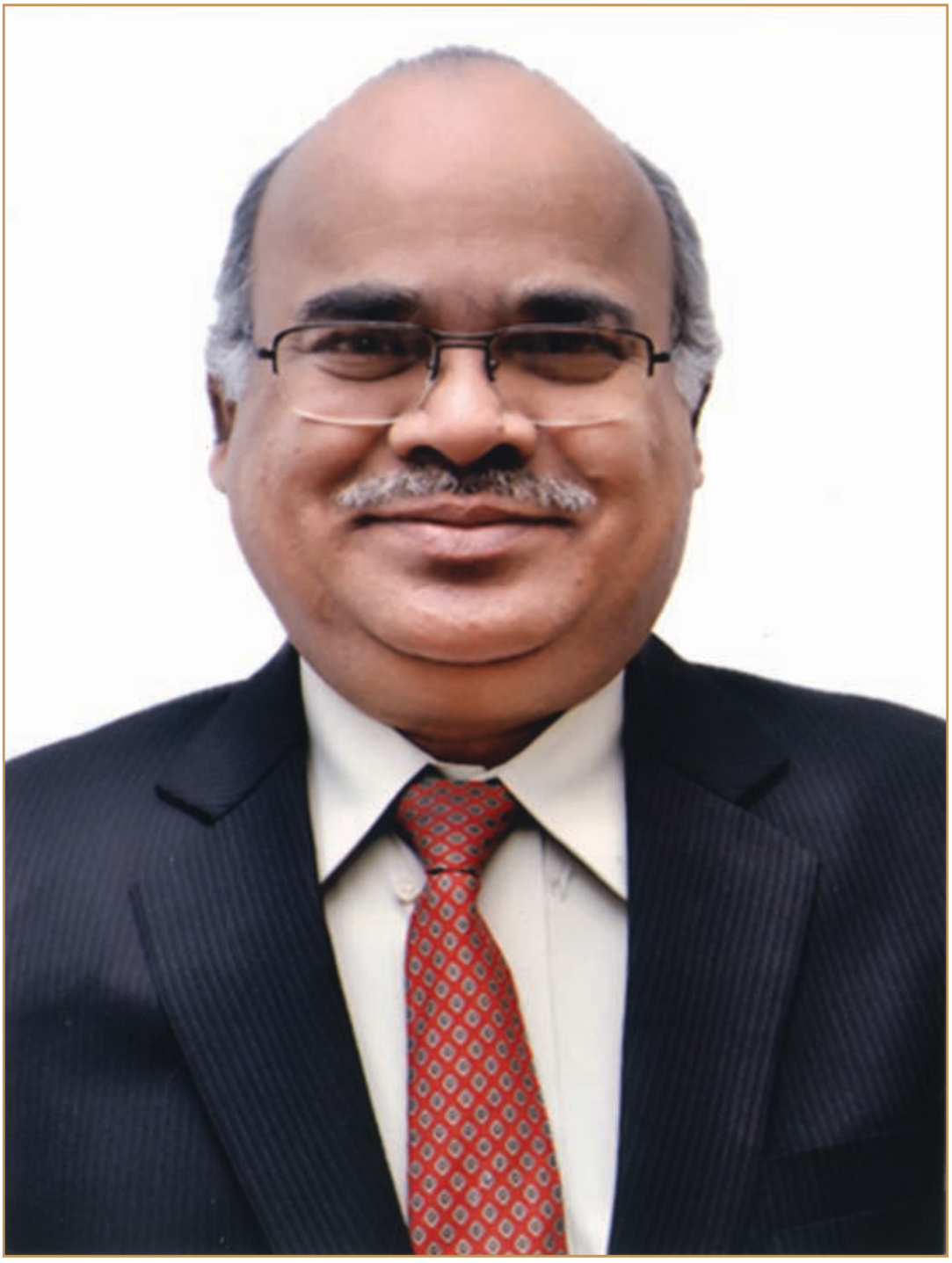


SHRI L.K. ADVANI
Leader of Opposition, Lok Sabha
(22.5.2009 – 21.12.2009)

SHRI KARIYA MUNDA
Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha
(8.6.2009 – 18.5.2014)

SHRI P. SREEDHARAN*
Secretary-General, Lok Sabha
(1.5.2014 – 30.7.2014)

*Performed the duties of Secretary-General from 1.3.2014 to 30.4.2014.



SHRI S. BAL SHEKAR
Secretary-General, Lok Sabha
(1.9.2013 – 28.2.2014)

SHRI T.K. VISWANATHAN
Secretary-General, Lok Sabha
(1.10.2010 – 31.8.2013)

SHRI P.D.T. ACHARY
Secretary-General, Lok Sabha
(1.8.2005 – 30.9.2010)

PART I

ARTICLES

1

FIFTEENTH LOK SABHA—A GENERAL SURVEY

The Parliament of India is a bicameral legislative body consisting of the President and the two Houses known as the Council of States (Rajya Sabha) and the House of the People (Lok Sabha). The Lok Sabha is the directly elected House, with its members getting elected from territorial constituencies from across the country. The normal term of the Lok Sabha is five years.

After the General Elections held in April-May 2009, the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 18 May 2009 and the first sitting of the House was held on 1 June 2009. It was dissolved on 18 May 2014. There were, in all, fifteen sessions of the House covering a period of 5 years and 1 day. The number of days on which the House actually met was 357.

Election of the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker

The election to the office of the Speaker took place on 3 June 2009 and Smt. Meira Kumar of the Indian National Congress (INC) was elected unanimously as the Speaker.

The election to the office of the Deputy Speaker was held on 8 June 2009 and Shri Kariya Munda of the Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP) was elected unanimously as the Deputy Speaker.

Leader of the House

Article 74 of the Constitution lays down that there shall be a Council of Ministers with the Prime Minister at the head to aid and advice the President in the exercise of his/her functions. The Leader of the House is defined in the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha* as "the Prime Minister, if he is a member of the House, or a Minister who is a member of the House and is nominated by the Prime Minister to function as the Leader of the House". During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Shri Pranab Mukherjee was nominated as the Leader of the House by the Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh *w.e.f.* 26 May 2009.

Leader of the Opposition

The Salary and Allowances of Leaders of Opposition in Parliament Act, 1977 defines the term 'Leader of the Opposition' as that member of the Rajya Sabha or the Lok Sabha, who, for the time being, is the Leader in that House of the party in opposition to the Government, having the largest numerical strength and recognized as such by the Chairperson of the Rajya Sabha or the Speaker of the Lok Sabha.

The Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha is accorded statutory recognition and given salary and certain other facilities and amenities in accordance with the provisions of the Salary and Allowances of Leaders of Opposition in Parliament Act, 1977.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Shri L.K. Advani, the Leader of the Bhartiya Janata Party in the Lok Sabha, was recognized by the Speaker as the Leader of the Opposition from 22 May 2009. He remained the Leader of Opposition till 21 December 2009. Subsequently, Smt. Sushma Swaraj was recognized as the Leader of the Opposition from 21 December 2009 till the date of dissolution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha *i.e.* 18 May 2014.

Socio-Economic Profile of Members

The Fifteenth Lok Sabha was represented by members with diverse social, political as well as professional background. The average age of the members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 53.7 years, compared to 52.17 years in the Fourteenth Lok Sabha. As far as occupational background is concerned, Agriculturists dominated the House (35.54 percent) followed by Political and Social Workers (27.07 percent) and Lawyers (10.13 percent). The corresponding figures for the Fourteenth Lok Sabha were 41.88 percent, 23.77 percent and 12.26 percent, respectively. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha had about 48.62 percent Graduates, including those equivalent technical qualifications and 24.59 percent Post-Graduates, including those with equivalent technical qualifications. 5.14 percent of the members possessed Doctoral or similar other high academic qualifications. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha had 4.40 percent Under-Matriculates while the Fourteenth Lok Sabha had 50.46 percent Graduates, 28.38 percent Post-Graduates, 3.33 percent Doctoral or high academic qualifications and 2.78 percent Under-Matriculates,

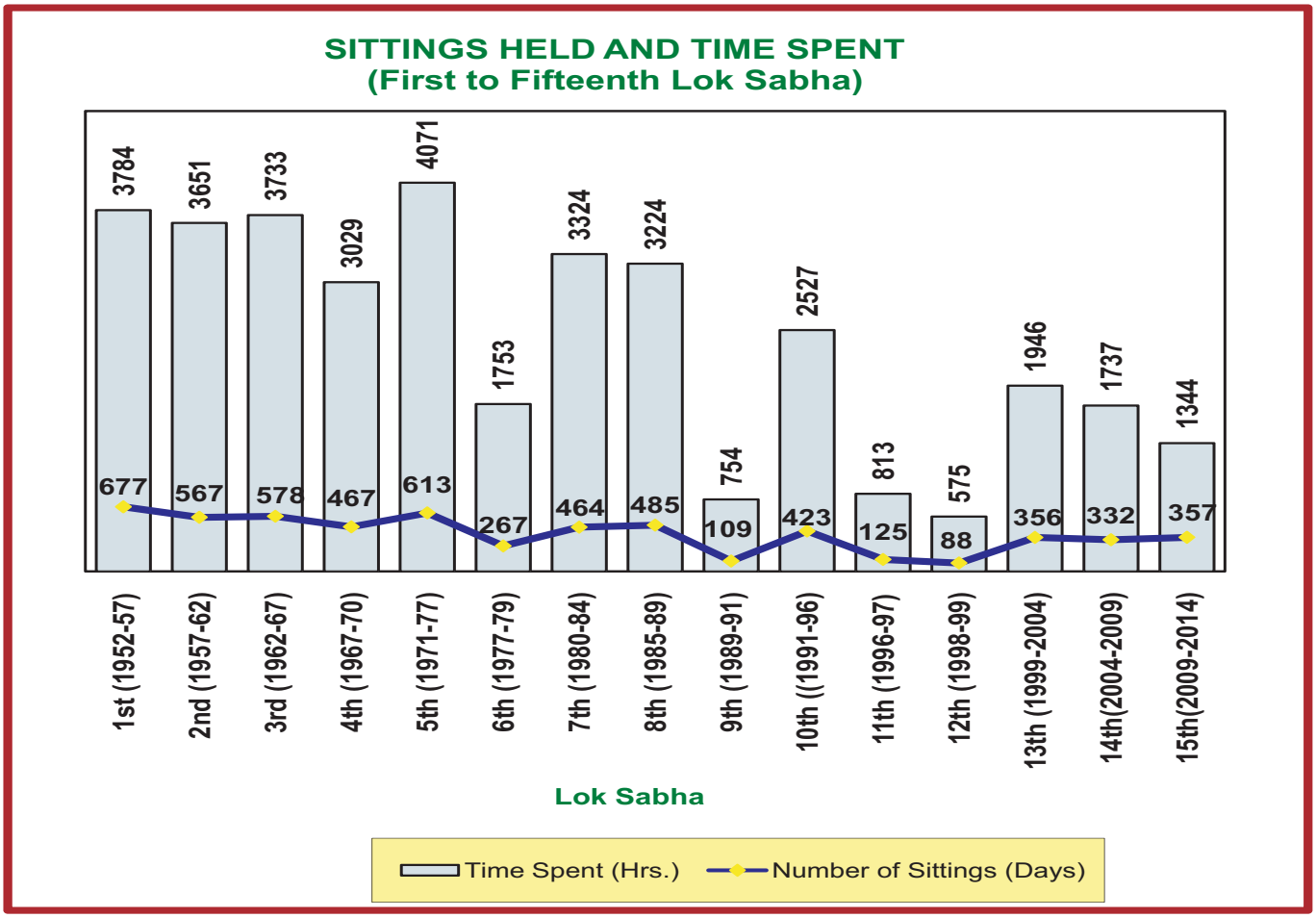
respectively. There were 60[1] women members in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha constituting nearly 11.01 percent of the total membership of the House as against 46 women members constituting 8.48 percent of the total membership during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha.

Of the 545 members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 291 members were new to the House while 184 had been members of one or more of the earlier fourteen Lok Sabhas. A total of 255 members had previous legislative experience of the State Legislatures. Thirty-seven political parties/groups were represented in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Sittings and Duration

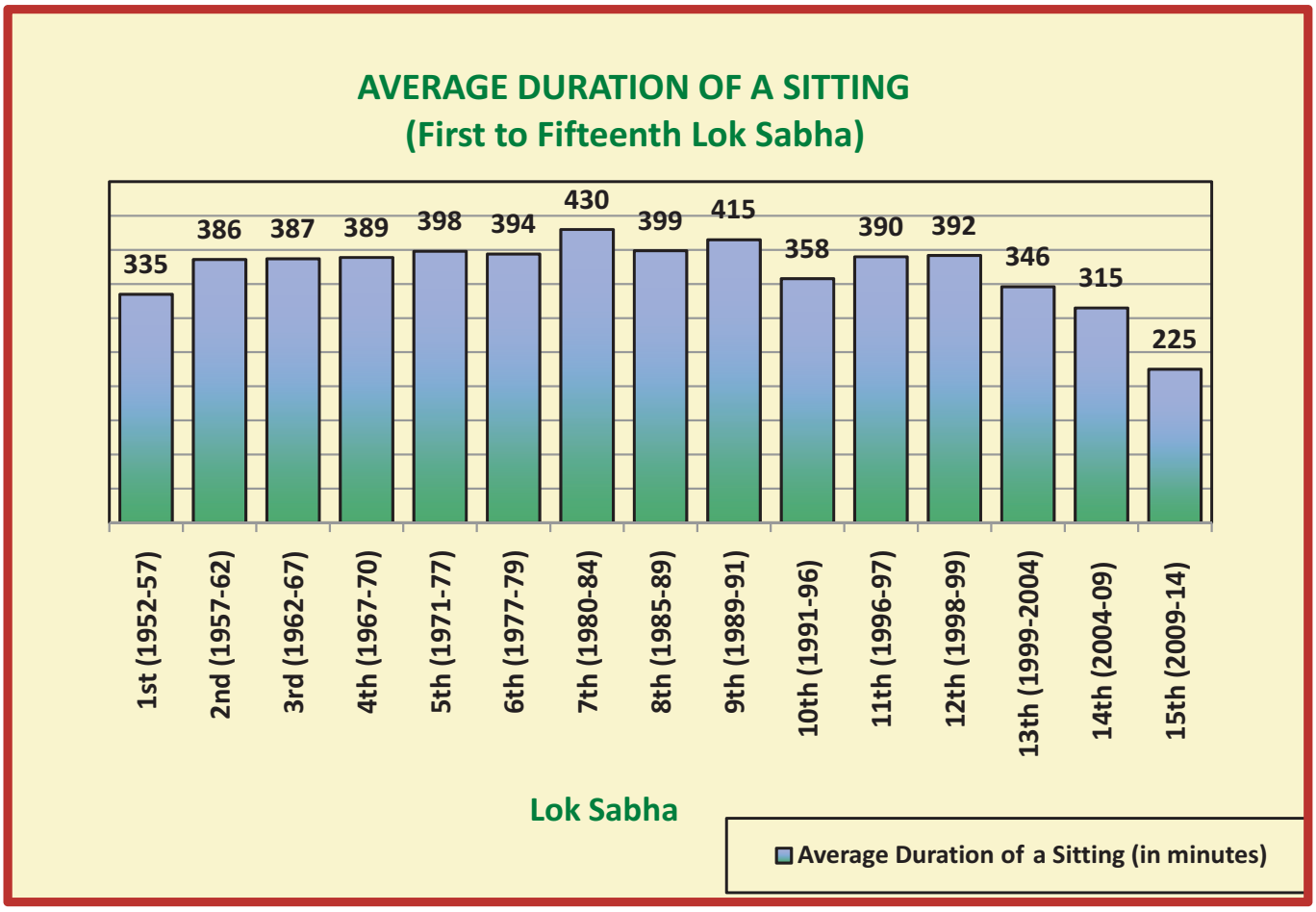
Compared to the times of the Central Legislative Assembly and the Constituent Assembly (Legislative), there has been a marked increase in the number of actual sittings of the House and their duration from 1951 onwards, revealing an upward trend in the legislative and deliberative activities of Parliament. During the period 1929-1951, the average annual duration of the sittings was 74 days as against 116 days between the years 1952 and 1977. Though the average annual sittings from 1978 to 2003 comes to 86 days only, the average duration per sitting was 6 hours and 42 minutes which is incidentally the same as worked out for the period 1952 to 1977. The average was, however, 4 hours and 57 minutes during 1929-1951.

During its span, the Fifteenth Lok Sabha held 357 sittings with a duration of 1344 hours as against 332 sittings with a duration of 1737 hours during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 356 sittings with a duration of 1945 hours during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 88 sittings with a duration of 575 hours during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 125 sittings with a duration of 813 hours during the Eleventh; 423 sittings with a duration of 2,527 hours during the Tenth; 109 sittings with a duration of 754 hours during the Ninth; 485 sittings with a duration of 3,224 hours during the Eighth; 464 sittings with a duration of 3,324 hours during the Seventh; 267 sittings with a duration of 1,753 hours during the Sixth; 613 sittings with a duration of 4,071 hours during the Fifth; 467 sittings with a duration of 3,029 hours during the Fourth; 578 sittings with a duration of 3,733 hours during the Third; 567 sittings with a duration of 3,651 hours during the Second; and 677 sittings with a duration of 3,784 hours during the First Lok Sabha.



[1]Based on the composition of the House as on January 2011. At the time of the constitution of 15th Lok Sabha, there were 58 women members.

The average duration of a sitting during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 3 hours and 45 minutes as compared to 5 hours and 15 minutes of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 5 hours and 46 minutes of the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 6 hours and 32 minutes of the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 6 hours and 30 minutes of the Eleventh; 5 hours and 58 minutes of the Tenth; 6 hours and 55 minutes of the Ninth; 6 hours and 39 minutes of the Eighth; 7 hours and 10 minutes of the Seventh; 6 hours and 34 minutes of the Sixth; 6 hours and 38 minutes of the Fifth; 6 hours and 29 minutes of the Fourth; 6 hours and 27 minutes of the Third; 6 hours and 26 minutes of the Second; and 5 hours and 35 minutes of the First Lok Sabha.



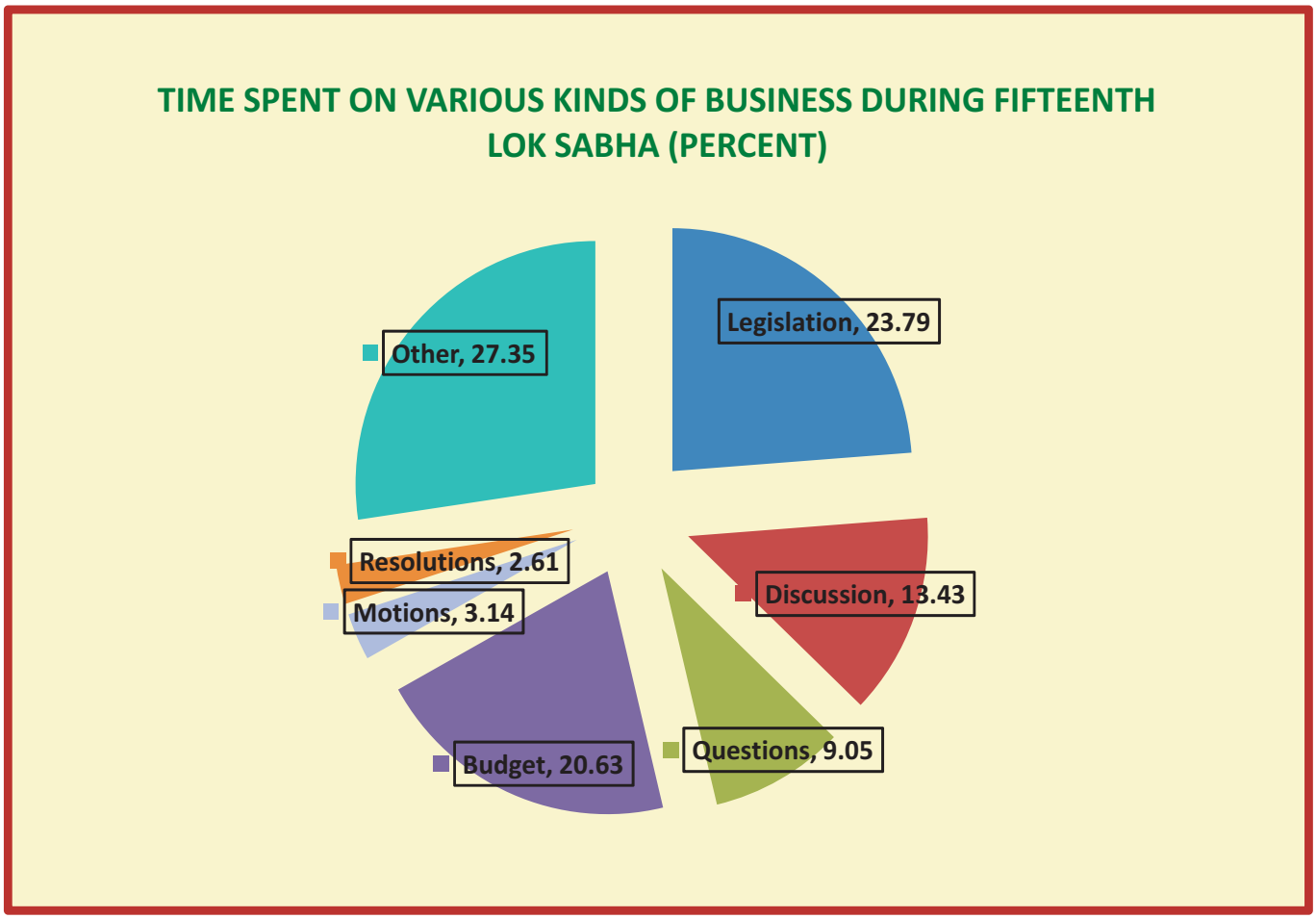
President's Address

Under Article 87(1) of the Constitution, the President addresses both Houses of Parliament assembled together at the commencement of the first session after each General Election to the Lok Sabha and at the commencement of the first session of each year. During the span of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the President addressed both Houses of Parliament assembled together five times, *i.e.* first, on 4 June 2009 at the commencement of the First Session after the constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, and later at the commencement of the first session of Parliament during the years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013. In all these cases, the matters referred to in the Address by the President were discussed in detail on a Motion of Thanks. The total time devoted to these discussions was 65 hours and 20 minutes.

Time Spent on Various Kinds of Business

An analysis of the time spent on various kinds of business during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha reveals that the House spent 23.79 percent of its total time on Legislation; 13.43 percent on Discussions; 9.05 percent on Questions; and 20.63 percent on Budgets.

Of the total time spent by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, legislative business (excluding Budget) claimed 23.79 percent as against 21.63 percent by the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 25.3 percent by the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 16.6 percent by the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 15.66 percent by the Eleventh; 22.16 percent by the Tenth; 16.23 percent by the Ninth; 25 percent by the Eighth; 23.99 percent by the Seventh; 23.51 percent by the Sixth; 27.55 percent by the Fifth; 22.08 percent by the Fourth; 23 percent by the Third; 28.2 percent by the Second; and 48.8 percent by the First Lok Sabha.

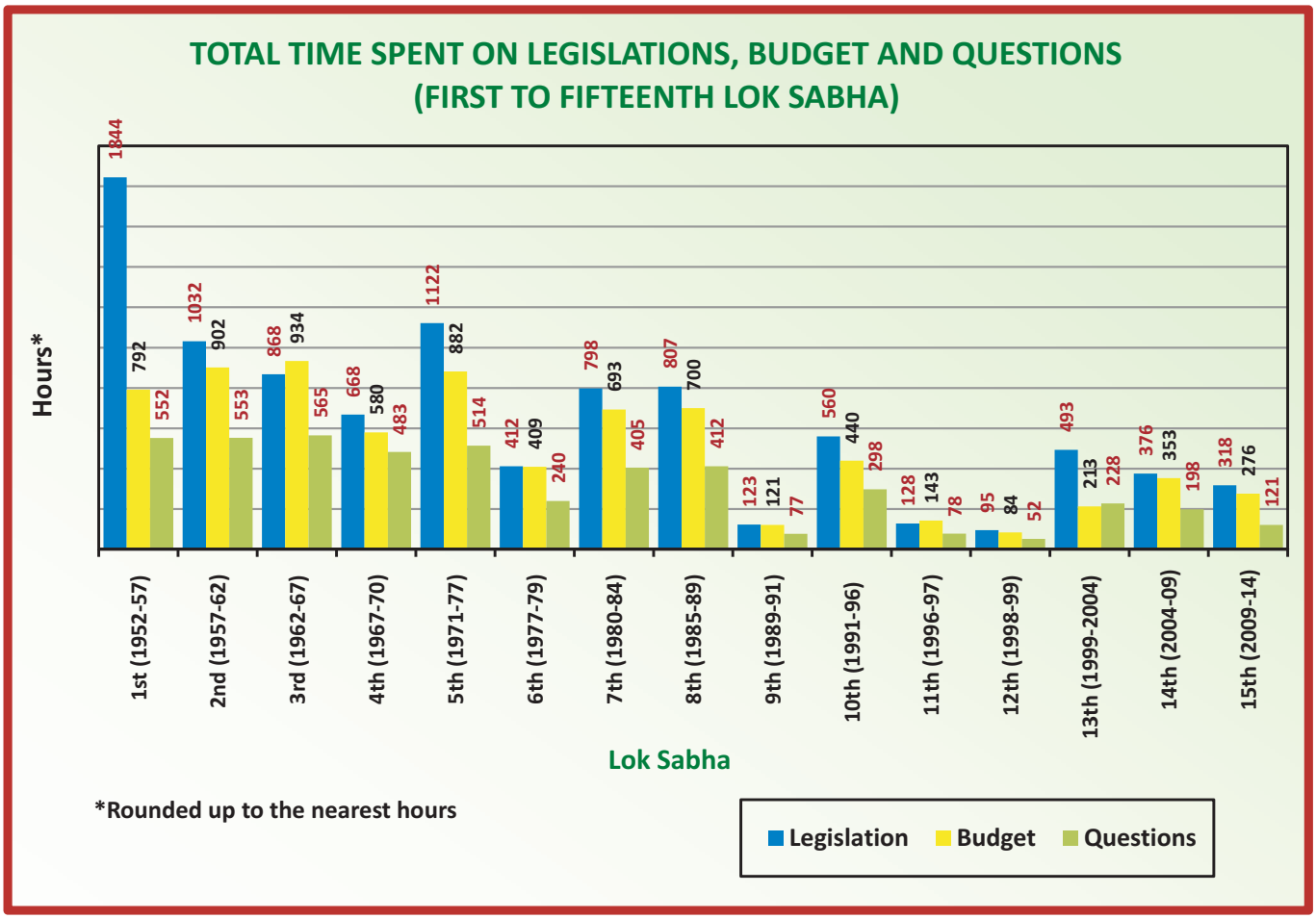


The time devoted to discussions on Budgets* by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 20.63 percent of the total as against 20.32 percent by Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 10.9 percent by the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 14.68 percent devoted by the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 17.60 percent by the Eleventh; 17.36 percent by the Tenth; 16 percent by the Ninth; 21.74 percent by the Eighth; 20.84 percent by the Seventh; 23.26 percent by the Sixth; 21.64 percent by the Fifth; 19.30 percent by the Fourth; 25 percent by the Third; 20.9 percent by the Second; and 18.5 percent by the First Lok Sabha.

*Budgets include General Budget, Railway Budget, Supplementary/ Excess Demands for Grants and Budgets of States/Union Territories under President's Rule.

The percentage of time spent on Questions during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 9.05 as compared to 11.42 percent during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 11.7 percent during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 8.96 percent during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 9.58 percent during the Eleventh; 11.80 percent during the Tenth; 10.14 percent during the Ninth; 12.80 percent during the Eighth; 12.20 percent during the Seventh; 3.70 percent during the Sixth; 12.61 percent during the Fifth; 15.94 percent during the Fourth; 15.1 percent during the Third and Second each; and 14.5 percent during the First Lok Sabha.

The percentage of time taken on Resolutions during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 2.61 percent of the total as against 3.18 percent during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 3.7 percent during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 4.45 percent during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 4.57 percent during the Eleventh; 6.23 percent during the Tenth; 5.77 percent during the Ninth; 5.47 percent during the Eighth; 3.96 percent during the Seventh; 3.72 percent during the Sixth; 5.17 percent during the Fifth; 6.45 percent during the Fourth; 5.9 percent during the Third; 5.5 percent during the Second; and 6.3 percent during the First Lok Sabha.

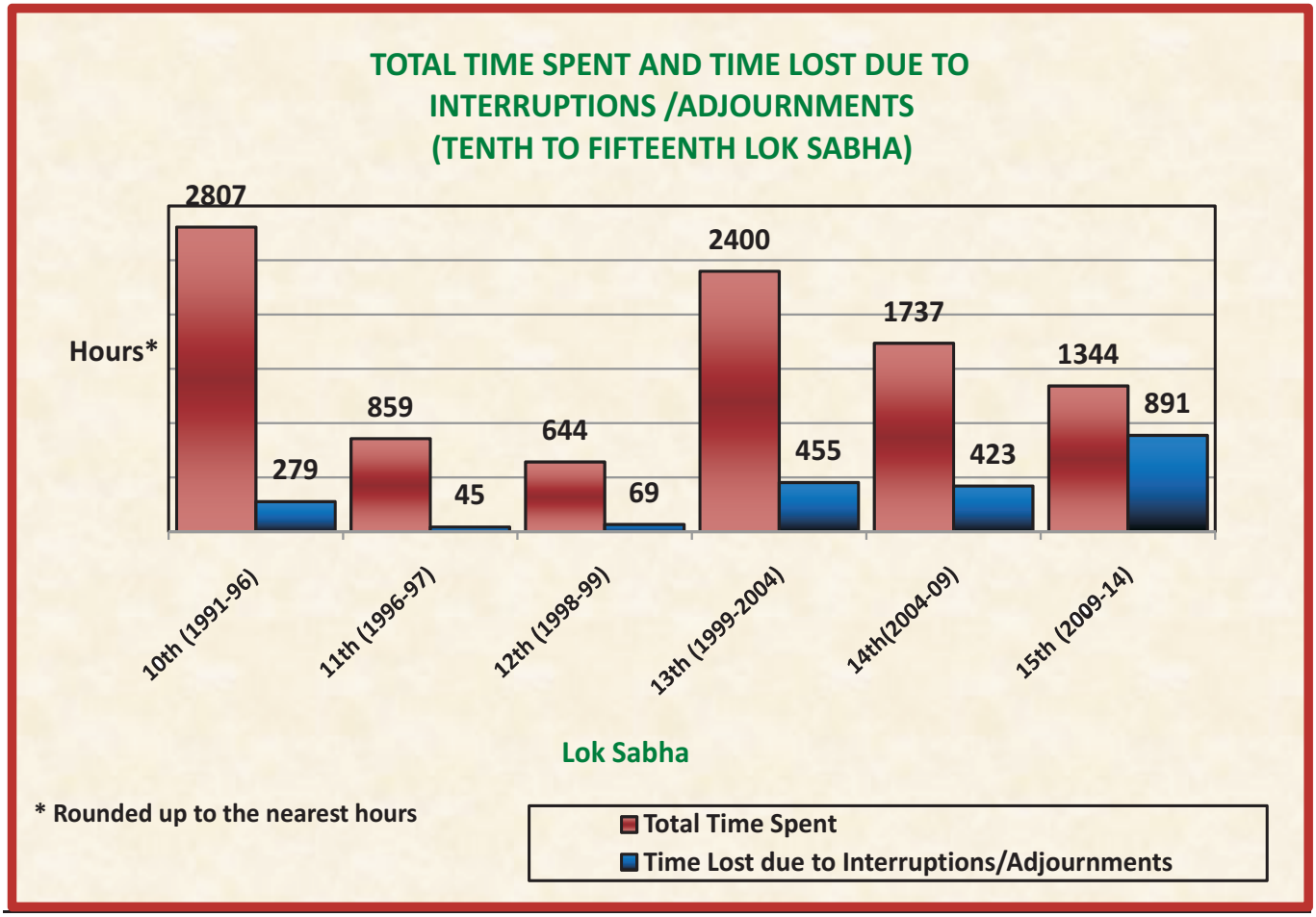


The time spent on Motions during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 3.14 percent of the total time as against 2.67 during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 6.5 percent during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 10.45 percent during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 17.33 percent during the Eleventh; 6.38 percent during the Tenth; 4.34 percent during the Ninth; 3.66 percent during the Eighth; 6.35 percent during the Seventh; 10.70 percent during the Sixth; 6.55 percent during the Fifth; 9.22 percent during the Fourth; 13.2 percent during the Third; 13.7 percent during the Second; and 7.1 percent during the First Lok Sabha.

Adjournments of the House due to interruptions/ disorderly scenes resulted in the loss of about 10 percent of the time of the House during the Tenth Lok Sabha; 5.28 percent during the Eleventh Lok Sabha; 10.66 percent during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 19 percent during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 20 percent during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, while it was 66 percent during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Questions

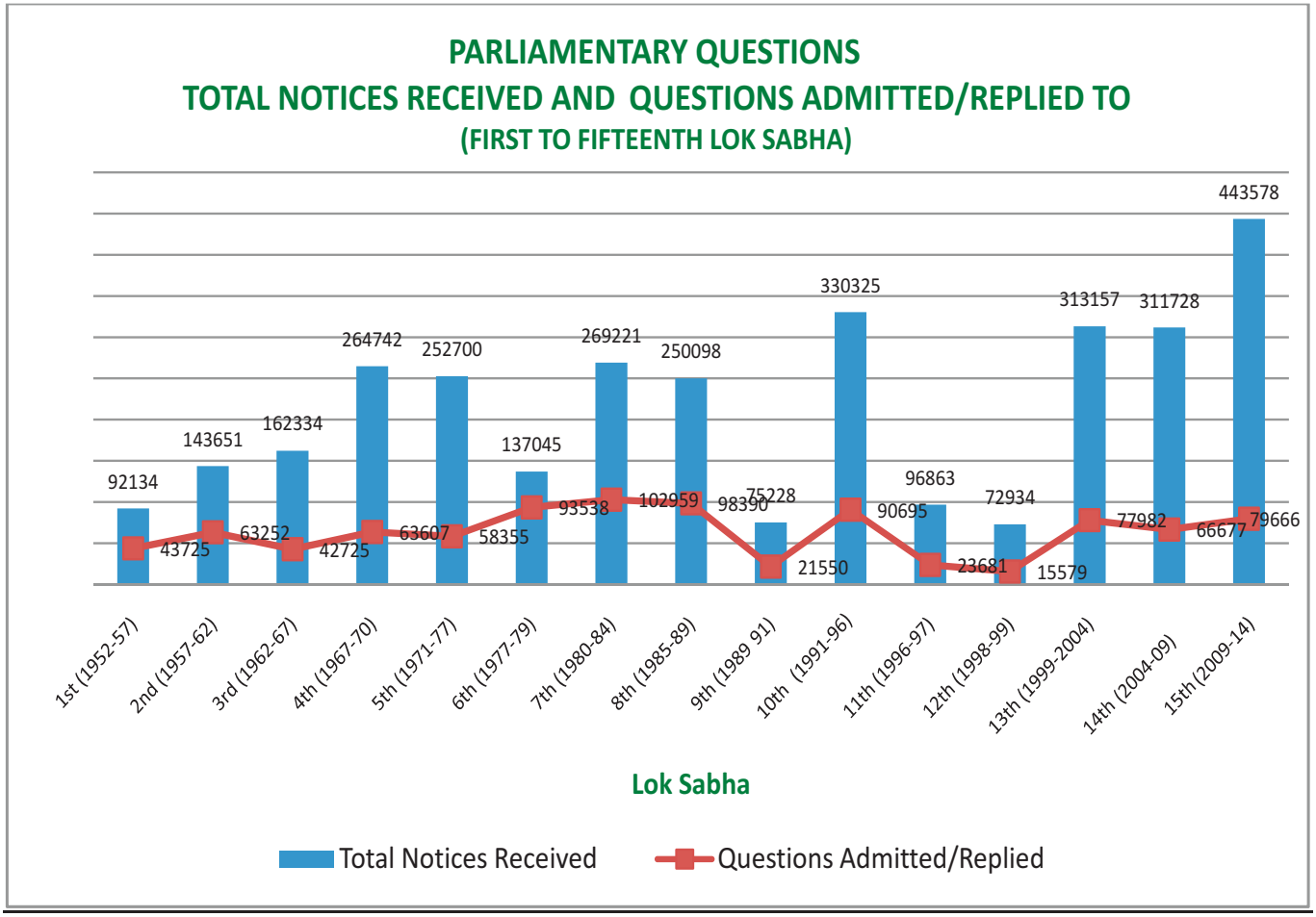
A total of 4,43,578 notices of Questions were received from members during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha as against 3,11,728 during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 3,13,157 during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 72,934 during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 96,863 during the Eleventh; 3,30,325 during the Tenth; 75,228 during the Ninth;



2,50,098 during the Eighth; 2,69,221 during the Seventh; 1,37,045 during the Sixth; 2,52,700 during the Fifth; 2,64,742 during the Fourth; 1,62,334 during the Third; 1,43,651 during the Second; and 92,134 during the First Lok Sabha. Out of the total notices received, 79,666 Questions representing 17.95 percent of the total notices received were admitted during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The corresponding figures for the Fourteenth, the Thirteenth, the Twelfth, the Eleventh, the Tenth, the Ninth, the Eighth, the Seventh, the Sixth, the Fifth, the Fourth, the Third, the Second and the First Lok Sabha were 66,677 or 21.38 percent; 77,982 or 25 percent; 15,579 or 21.36 percent; 23,681 or 24.44 percent; 90,695 or 27.45 percent; 21,550 or 28.64 percent; 98,390 or 39.34 percent; 1,02,959 or 38.24 percent; 93,538 or 35.30 percent; 58,355 or 36 percent; 63,607 or 44.27 percent; 42,725 or 46.37 percent; 63,252 or 44.03 percent; and 43,725 or 47.45 percent, respectively.

Of the total Questions admitted during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 73,178 or 91.866 percent were Unstarred; 6,480 or 8.134 percent were Starred. No Short Notice Question was admitted during Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

The largest number of Questions were addressed to the Ministry of Finance (4,963) followed by the Railways (4,132); Health and Family Welfare (4,054); Home Affairs (4,027); and Human Resource Development (4,019).



Adjournment Motions

During the span of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 759 notices of adjournment motions were received. In 2 cases, motions moved were discussed and negatived. As against this, 163 notices of adjournment motions were received in the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, of which 7 were discussed and negatived. During the Thirteenth Lok Sabha, 1778 notices of adjournment motions were received, of which 5 were discussed and negatived. During the Twelfth Lok Sabha, 83 notices of adjournment motions were received of which none was admitted and discussed. During the Eleventh Lok Sabha, one out of 63 notices received; during the Tenth 4 out of 608 notices received; during the Ninth 9 out of 375 notices received; during the Eighth 4 out of 1805 notices received; during the Seventh 24 out of 5762 notices received; during the Sixth 6 out of 295 notices received; during the Fifth 10 out of 996 notices received; during the Fourth 12 out of 1078 notices received; during the Third 7 out of 776 notices received; and during the Second 3 out of 1262 notices received were admitted and discussed. (The figures relating to the First Lok Sabha are not available.)

Motion of No-Confidence and Motion of Confidence

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 42 Notices of Motion of No-confidence in the Council of Ministers were received. Out of which, leave was not granted to 1 Notice and 41 Notices could not be brought before the House. During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha no Motion of Confidence in the Council of Ministers was moved.

Calling Attention Notices

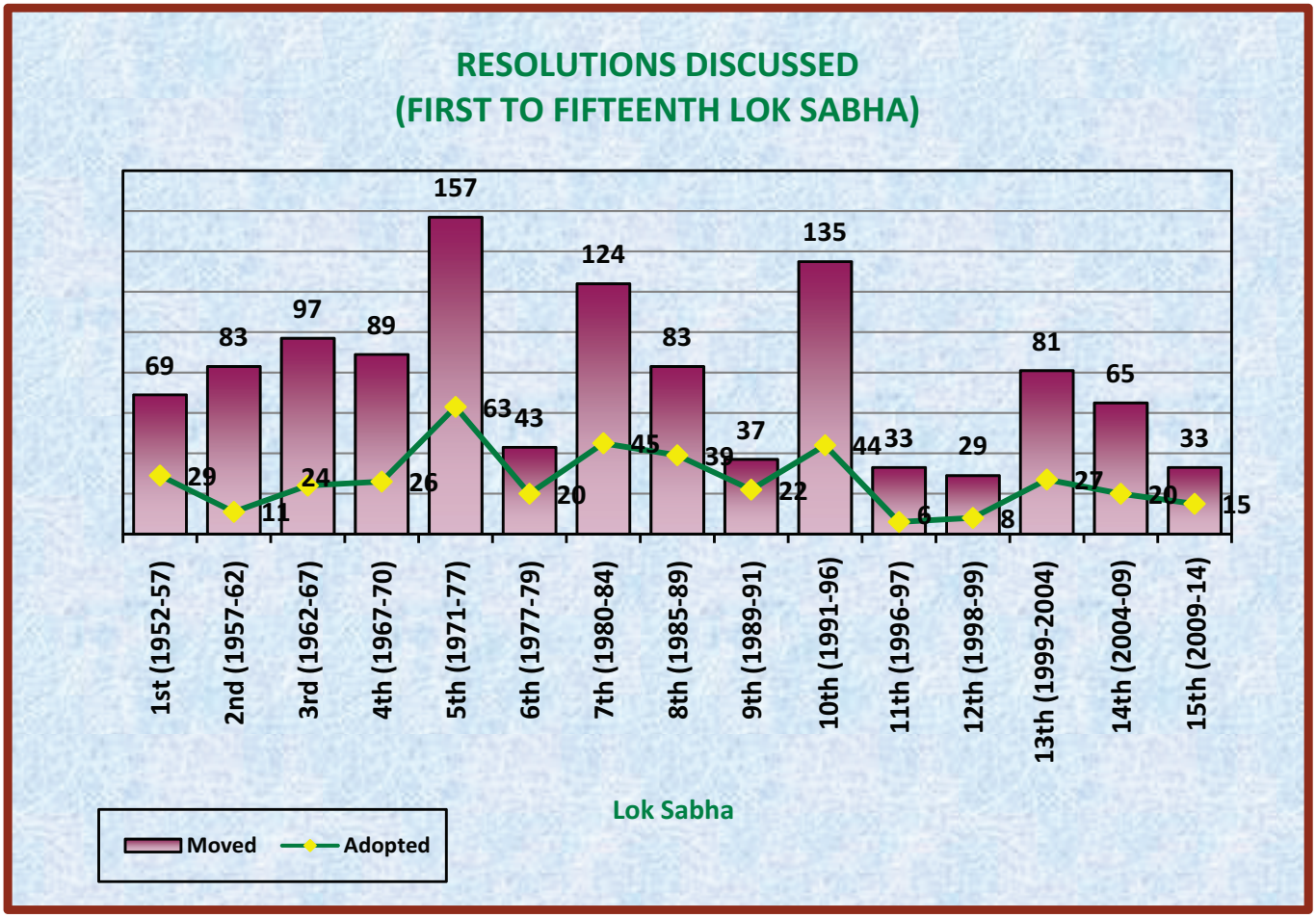
As many as 2142 notices of Calling Attention on matters of urgent public importance under Rule 197 were received during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. Of these, 211 notices on various subjects representing 9.85 percent of the total, were admitted. In response to the notices admitted, 40 Statements were made in the House by the Ministers concerned.

Motions

Several discussions on matters of urgent public importance were raised during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha through motions under Rule 191 (No-day-yet-named Motions); Rule 342 (for taking into consideration a policy or a situation or a statement or any other matter); Rule 193 (Short Duration Discussions on matters of urgent public importance); and Rule 55 (Half-an-Hour Discussions on matters of sufficient public importance arising out of answers to Questions). In all, 41 Short Duration Discussions were raised under Rule 193. The number of Half-an-Hour Discussions held under Rule 55 was 7.

Resolutions

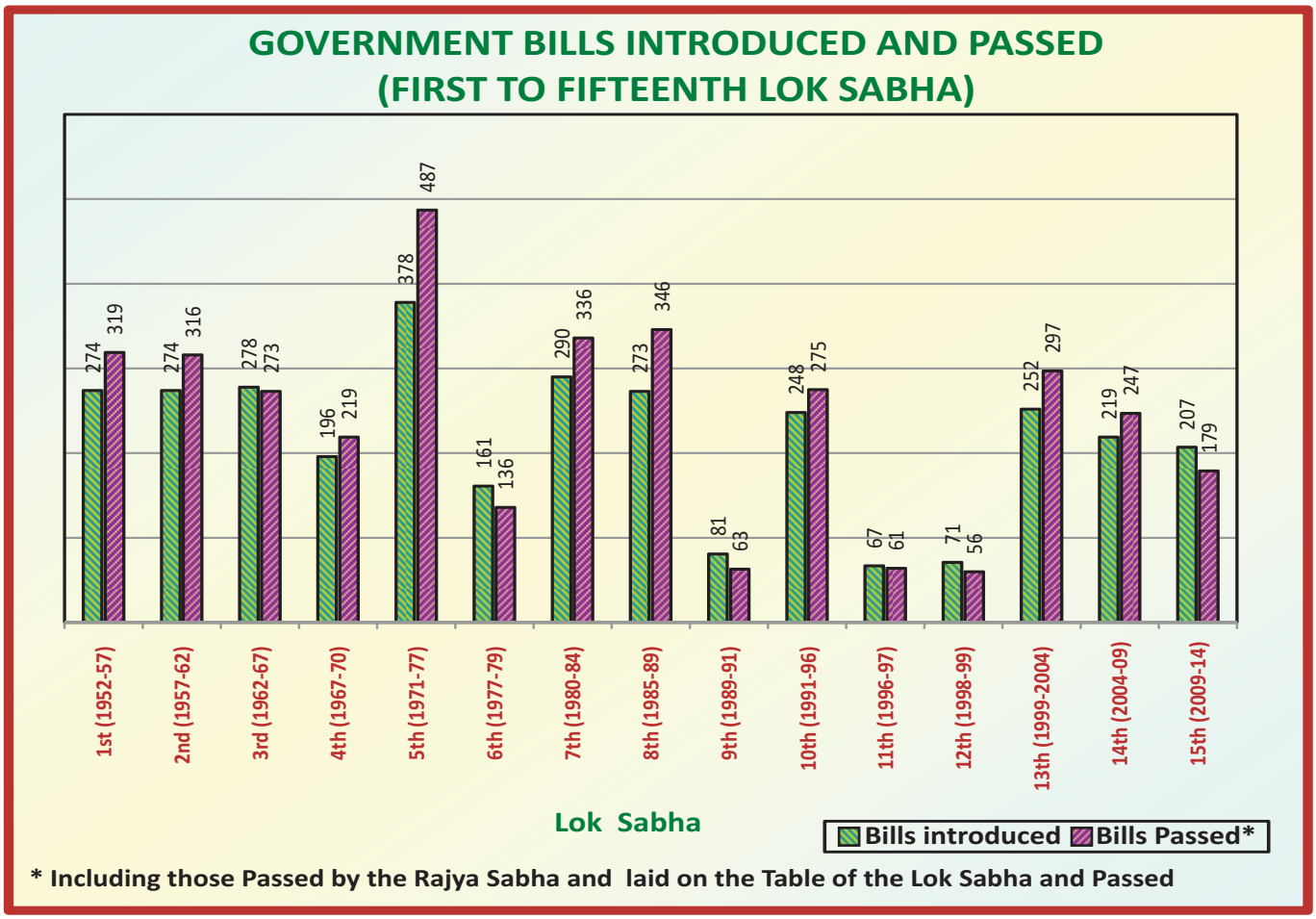
In all, of the 33 resolutions discussed during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 6 were Government Resolutions, all of which were adopted, 5 resolutions, placed by the

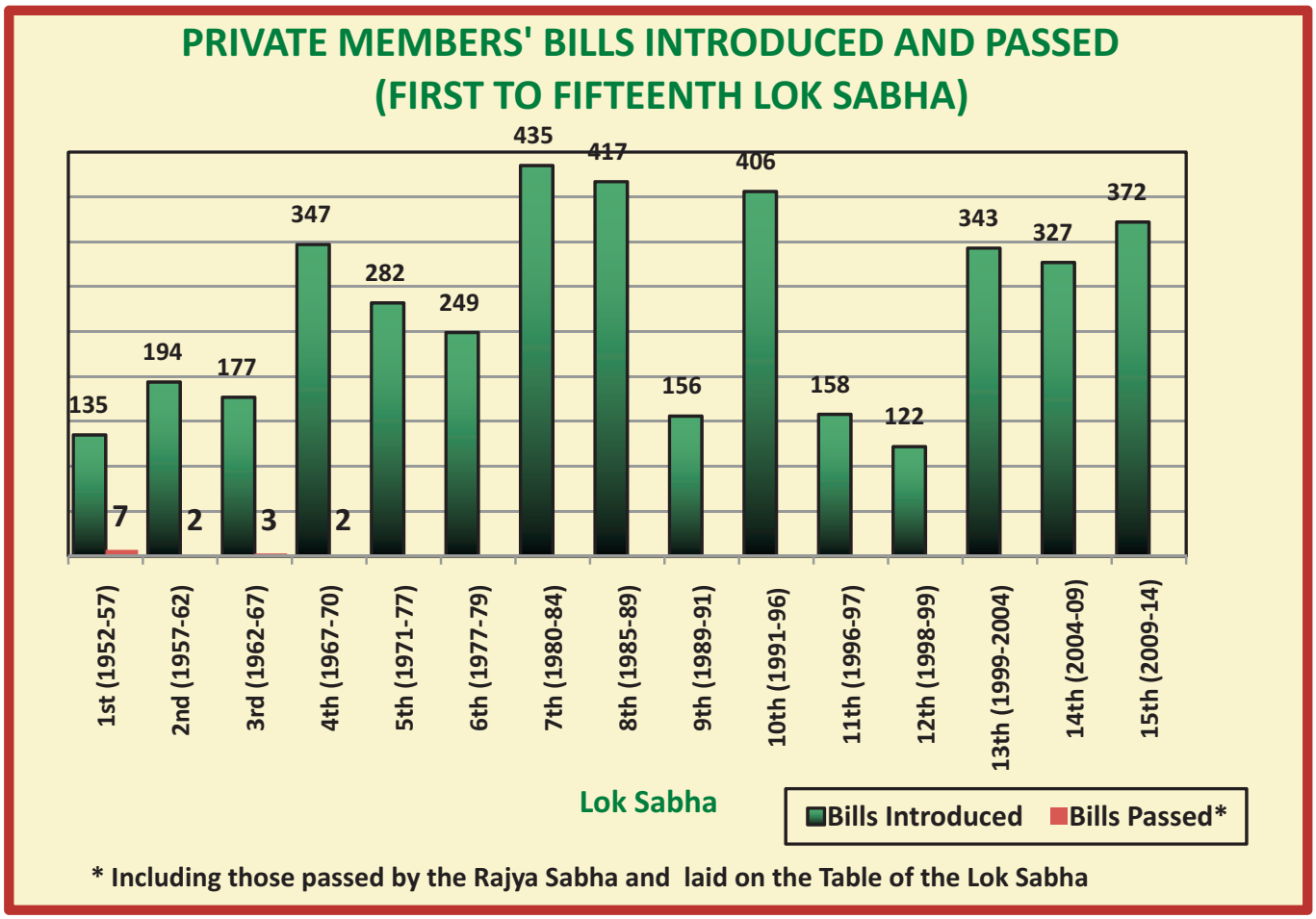


Speaker, were also adopted. There were 12 Statutory Resolutions, out of which 4 were adopted, 14 resolutions were moved by Private Members, none of which was adopted. As against 65 resolutions discussed during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, 20 were adopted; 27 of the 81 during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 8 of the 29 during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 6 of the 33 during the Eleventh; 44 of the 135 during the Tenth; 22 of the 37 during the Ninth; 39 of the 83 during the Eighth; 45 of the 124 during the Seventh; 20 of the 43 during the Sixth; 63 of the 157 during the Fifth; 26 of the 89 during the Fourth; 24 of the 97 during the Third; 11 of the 83 during the Second; and 29 of the 69 during the First Lok Sabha.

Legislative Business

During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 179 Bills were passed by the two Houses of Parliament and assented to by the President. As regards previous Lok Sabhas, 247 Bills were passed during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, 297 Bills were passed during the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 56 Bills were passed during the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 61 during the Eleventh; 275 during the Tenth; 63 during the Ninth; 346 during the Eighth; 336 during the Seventh; 136 during the Sixth; 487 during the Fifth; 219 during the Fourth; 273 during the Third; 316 during the Second; and 319 during the First Lok Sabha.





As regards Private Members' Bills, as many as 372 such bills were introduced in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha but none was passed.

Activities of Standing Parliamentary Committees

The Indian Parliament transacts a great deal of its business through a network of Committees. In the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, there were 52 Standing Parliamentary Committees of which 31 were Joint Committees of the two Houses – the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha. The remaining 21 were single House Committees, of which 9 belonged to the Rajya Sabha and 12 to the Lok Sabha.

As regards the Joint Committees, there were 24 Departmentally Related Standing Committees (16 serviced by the Lok Sabha Secretariat and 8 by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat) and seven other Committees, namely, (i) the Committee on Public Accounts; (ii) the Committee on Public Undertakings (both Financial Committees); (iii) the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes; (iv) the Joint Committee on Office of Profit; (v) the Committee on Salaries and Allowances of Members of Parliament; (vi) the Library Committee; and (vii) the Committee on Empowerment of Women. Members from both the Houses serve on these Committees.

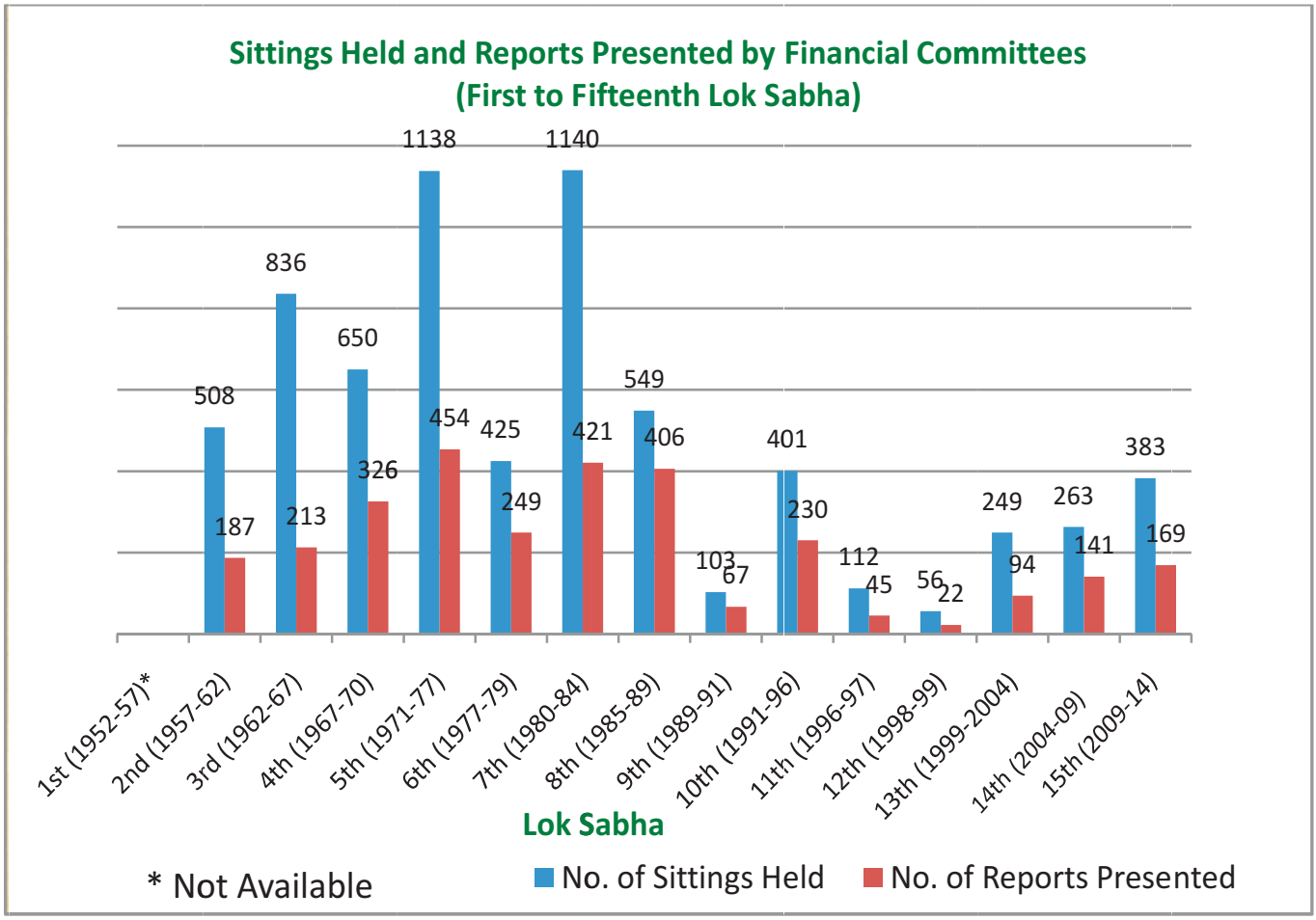
Of the 21 single House Committees, 9 each in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha have similar functions in the respective Houses. They are the Business Advisory Committee, Rules Committee, General Purposes Committee, Committee of Privileges, Committee on Petitions, Committee on Government Assurances, Committee on Subordinate Legislation, Committee on Papers Laid on the Table and the House Committee. The remaining three Committees, namely, the Committee on Estimates, the Committee on Absence of Members from the Sittings of the House, and the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions exist only in the Lok Sabha.

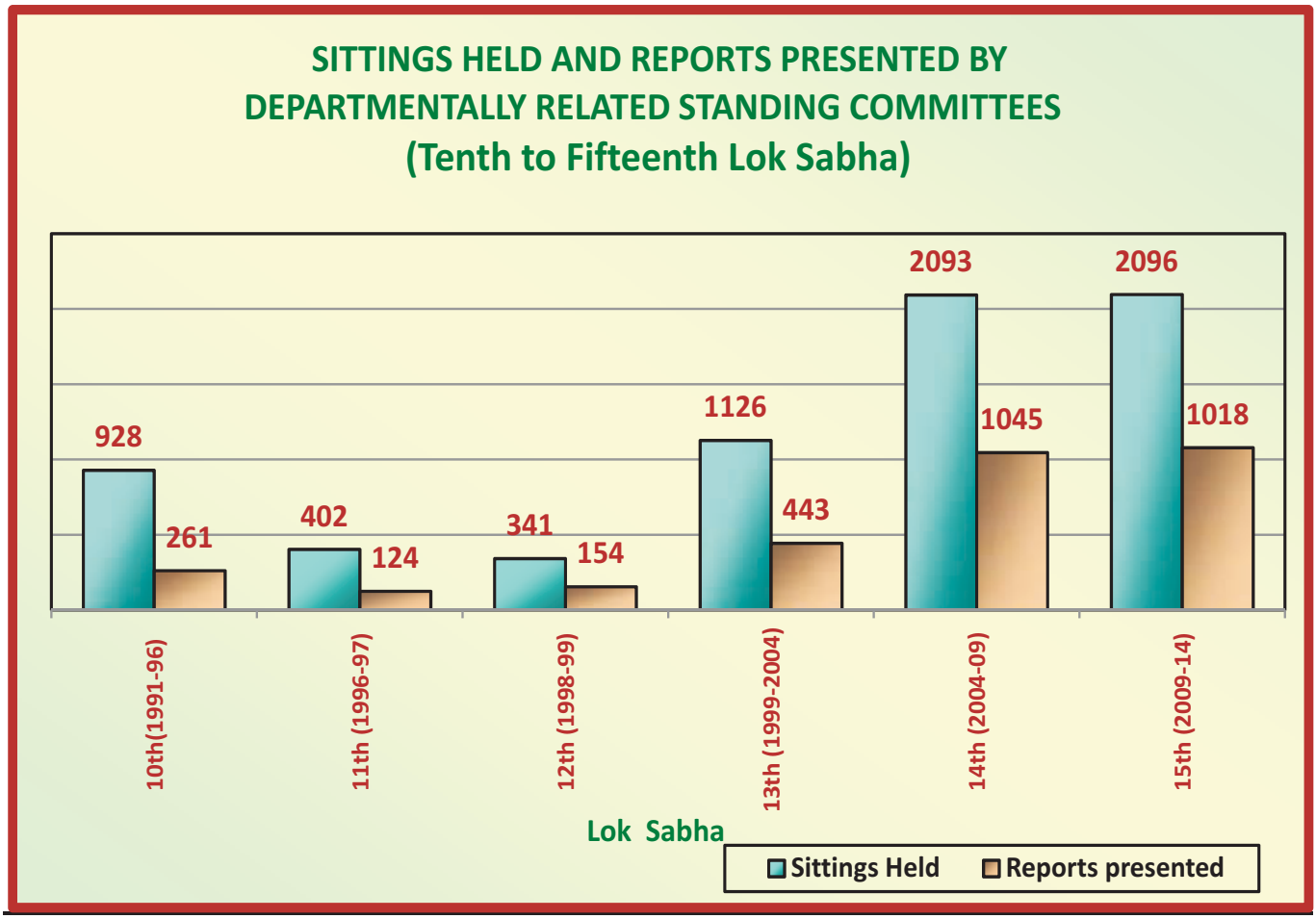
Though each and every Committee has its own role to play in the working of Parliament, there are certain Committees which, by undertaking the task of detailed scrutiny of government spending and performance, assist the House in its principal task of ensuring executive accountability. This category of Committees include all the Financial Committees, the Departmentally Related Standing Committees and the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. The performance of these Committees during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha is briefly detailed in the paragraphs that follow.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the three Financial Committees, namely, the Committee on Public Accounts, the Committee on Estimates and the Committee on Public Undertakings, held 383 sittings of about 662.45 hours' duration and presented 169 Reports.

The Committee on Public Accounts held 169 sittings of about 295.35 hours' duration. The Committee did not constitute any Sub-Committee/Study Group. It, however, visited 21 establishments/organisations during its study tours. The Committee presented 100 Reports.

The Committee on Estimates held 116 sittings of about 223.45 hours' duration. The Committee did not constitute any Sub-Committee/Study Group. It, however, visited 30 establishments/organizations during its study tours and presented 36 Reports.





The Committee on Public Undertakings held 98 sittings of about 143.25 hours' duration. The Committee did not constitute any Sub-Committee/Study Group. It, however, visited 27 establishments/organisations during its study tours and presented 33 Reports.

The Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes held 80 sittings of about 111.58 hours' duration. The Committee did not constitute any Sub-Committee/Study Group. It, however, visited 80 establishments/organizations during its study tours and presented 35 Reports.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the sixteen Departmentally Related Standing Committees (DRSCs)@, one each on Agriculture; Defence; Energy; External Affairs; Finance; Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution; Information Technology; Water Resources; Labour; Petroleum and Natural Gas; Chemicals and Fertilizers; Railways; Urban Development; Rural Development; Coal and Steel; and Social Justice and Empowerment working under the direction of the Speaker, Lok Sabha, held as many as 2096 sittings and presented 1018 reports on Demands for Grants of the Ministries/Departments concerned and other allied subjects.

@ During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, in addition to the above DRSCs, there were eight more such Committees—one each on Commerce; Home Affairs; Human Resource Development; Industry; Science & Technology, Environment & Forests; Transport, Tourism and Culture; Health and Family Welfare; and Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice working under the direction of the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha.

Constitution of new Committees

(a) ***Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes:*** The Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes was constituted in June, 2012 consequent upon adoption of a Motion moved in the Lok Sabha by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Water Resources. The Committee consists of members from both the Houses and examine the measures taken by the Union Government and Union Territories for the welfare of Other Backward Classes and for securing due representation of OBCs in services and posts under the Union.

(b) ***Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with members of Lok Sabha:*** The Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha *vide* Bulletin Part-II No. 4274 dated 2 August 2012, has constituted an *ad hoc* Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with Members of Lok Sabha, to examine every complaint referred to it by the Speaker relating to violation of Protocol Norms laid down from time to time regarding official dealings with Members of Parliament, violation of instructions or guidelines issued by the Government regarding official dealing between Administration and Members of Parliament; and discourteous behaviour by Government Servants with a Member during official dealings; and make such recommendations as it may deem fit.

(c) ***Two-tier committee on Maintenance of Heritage Character and Development of Parliament House Complex*** was constituted on 15 December 2009, *viz.* (i) Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) headed by Hon'ble Speaker; and (ii) Standing Technical Committee (STC) consisting of technical experts in the field, headed by Secretary-General, Lok Sabha. The STC has been given the mandate to advise the apex JPC about the maintenance of heritage character of Parliament House building. All major proposals for maintenance, construction, additions/alterations etc. in Parliament House are being first examined in depth by the STC which submits their recommendations for consideration of the JPC for final approval. In the meetings of JPC, decisions were taken to preserve, conserve and protect the heritage character of Parliament House.

Constitution of *Ad hoc* Committees: In addition to the Standing Committees, *ad hoc* Committees are also constituted from time to time either by the House on a motion adopted in that behalf or by the Speaker to inquire into and report on specific subjects. *Ad hoc* Committees are also appointed on a motion made in the House to consider and report on a specific Bill.

Inquiry Committees

A Joint Committee to examine matters relating to Allocation and Pricing of Telecom Licences and Spectrum was also appointed during the term of Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The motion for constitution of Joint Committee of both the Houses of Parliament was adopted by Lok Sabha on 24 February 2011. The Rajya Sabha concurred with the said motion on 1 March 2011. The Joint Committee with 20 members of the Lok Sabha and 10 members from the Rajya Sabha was constituted. Shri P.C. Chacko, member, Lok Sabha was appointed as Chairperson of Joint Committee on 4 March 2011.

The Committee held 57 sittings in all. The total duration of the sittings of the Committee was 155 hours approximately. The Committee had briefings, oral evidences and interactions with representatives of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (Department of Telecommunications), the Ministry of Finance (Departments of Revenue and Economic Affairs), Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, Comptroller and Auditor General of India and Central Bureau of Investigation. The Committee also had interaction with the Attorney General of India, non-official witnesses, Associations and individual.

The Report of the Committee was presented to Lok Sabha on 9.12.2013 and laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on 10.12.2013.

Parliamentary Conferences, Seminars, Symposia, etc.

Exchange of ideas and sharing of experiences by those involved in the working of parliamentary institutions have their obvious utility and value. Recognising this, the Parliament in India has, through various means, *viz.,* Conferences, Seminars, Symposia, etc., sought to develop and maintain close and continuing links with Legislatures within the country and other parts of the world.

During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, three Parliamentary Conferences were held at the national level, *viz*. the 74th, 75th and 76th Conferences of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies held at Bhopal (February 2010); Srinagar (June 2010); and Jaipur (September 2011), respectively. These Conferences were presided over by the Speaker of Lok Sabha and were attended by the Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India.

During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Indian Parliament organized the 20th Commonwealth Speakers' and Presiding Officers Conference (CSPOC) in New Delhi (January 2010). The 12th and 13th Annual Conference of North East Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (NERCPA) were held in Shillong (January 2010) and Itanagar (April 2011), respectively. The 4th Joint India and Asia Regional Conference was held in Raipur (October 2010). The India Region Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Seminar was held in New Delhi (March 2013).

Indian Parliamentary Delegations attended ten Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Conferences, *viz*. the 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th 129th and 130th held in Geneva (October 2009); Bangkok (March to April, 2010); Geneva (October 2010); Panama City (April 2011); Bern (October 2011); Kampala (March - April 2012); Quebec City (October 2012); Quito (March 2013); Geneva (October 2013); and Geneva (March 2014), respectively. Besides, eighteen other Conferences held under the aegis of IPU were attended by Parliamentary Delegations from India.

Indian Parliamentary Delegations also attended five Conferences of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), *viz*. 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th and 59th held at Arush (September-October 2009); Nairobi (September 2010); London (July 2011); Colombo (September 2012); and Johannesburg (August 2013), respectively. Besides, 12 Seminars and workshops, held under the auspices of the CPA, were attended by Parliamentary Delegations from India.

Research and Reference Service to Members

As in the previous Lok Sabhas, members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha were assisted by the Parliament Library and Reference, Research, Documentation and Information Service (LARRDIS). The Service rendered assistance to members by making available to authentic, non-partisan and authoritative information, so vital for any Parliament to deliberate, discuss and take decisions. Several publications were brought out by the service during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. Some of these include: *Electing the President and the Vice-President; Finance Minister's Budget Speeches: 1947-2011 (*in 3 Volumes*); Strengthening Parliamentary Democracy: Selected Speeches of Speaker Somnath Chatterjee; Practice and Procedure of Parliament by Kaul and Shakdher (*6th Edition*); Babu Jagjivan Ram in Parliament: A Commemorative Volume (*2nd Edition*); Tridib Chaudhury in Parliament: A Commemorative Volume; Speakers of Lok Sabha (*both English and Hindi versions*);* and *Indian Parliamentary Companion: Who's Who of Members of 1st to 15th Lok Sabha*.

From time to time, well documented and exhaustive Backgrounders and Information Bulletins on subjects before the House were brought out and made available to members. Besides, relevant information was supplied in response to as many as 29,477 reference requests from the members of both the Houses during the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Computerised Information Service

During the life of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, a further thrust was given to computerization and modernization. A large quantum of information has been made available on the Parliament of India Home Page at http://www.parliamentofindia.nic.in and http://www.loksabha.nic.in.

The web page of the Lok Sabha was inaugurated on 15 March 1996 and was further redesigned in the year 2008. All major components of parliamentary information are available on the Lok Sabha Home Page. The vast resources of the Parliament Library have also been placed on the Lok Sabha Home Page for the benefit of members of Parliament as also the research scholars. Articles published in Hindi and English newspapers and journals, books and reports available in the Parliament Library can be searched through *Parliamentary Documentation* and *Sansadiya Pralekhan.* Some of the major developments in this field are: the Lok Sabha Home Page in Hindi (launched on 7 January 2009), members 'Home Pages', Committees webpages, Speaker website, LSTV website, an interactive website of Parliament Museum and the website of Parliament Library.

Training Courses and Programmes

The Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training (BPST), set up on 1 January 1976 as an integral part of the Lok Sabha Secretariat, is designed to provide institutionalized opportunities for systematic training, orientation and problem and practice oriented studies in the various disciplines of parliamentary institutions, process and procedures, to all those responsible for the running of the democratic system – the legislators, the policy makers, the administrators and various other functionaries at different levels.

During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Bureau organized an Orientation Programme for the newly-elected members of the Lok Sabha and similar nine Programmes for the members of the State Legislative Assemblies of Arunachal Pradesh (twice), Bihar, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram

(twice) and Poducherry. Four Orientation Programmes were conducted for media persons accredited to the Press Galleries of Parliament. Further, the BPST conducted over 335 programmes, including Appreciation and Refresher Courses, Attachment Programmes, Training Courses, International Programmes, Study Visits, etc. covering 10,045 Probationers of various All-India and Central Services, Officers of the Government of India, and Officers of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats. In addition, Computer Familiarisation/Training Programmes were also organized for 497 officers and staff of the Secretariat.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, five Parliamentary Internship Programmes were conducted and 245 participants from as many as 63 countries attended them. Five Training Programmes in Legislative Drafting were also conducted and 249 participants from 65 countries attended them. Two special Training Programmes in parliamentary processes and procedures in Foreign Languages were also organised which benefited 29 participants from eleven countries.

The Bureau also organized 406 Study Visits, call-on-Meetings and Attachment Programmes for students from colleges, schools and other institutions comprising of 17897 participants.

Important Procedural Developments/ Parliamentary Functions

Streamlining of the Question Hour: The Question Hour was streamlined by amending the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha and Directions by the Speaker. The Rules Committee of Lok Sabha had decided so for the smooth functioning of the Question Hour. According to the amended/ modified provisions: (i) for giving notices of Questions, a uniform period of 15 days has been prescribed; (ii) the Speaker has been vested with powers to direct answer to a Starred Question of a member who is absent in the House when his/her name is called; (iii) a Minister is now required to make a Statement in the House correcting the reply given earlier, irrespective of the fact whether the reply given to a Question was Starred or Unstarred or a Short Notice Question, etc.; and (iv) the number of notices of Questions which a member is entitled to give, both for oral and written answers in a day, has been limited to 10.

New Procedure for raising matters in the Zero Hour: A new procedure for raising matters in the Zero Hour was introduced in which notices may be given by the members from 08.30 to 09.00 hrs. on the day they desire to raise the issue in the House. However, only twenty matters as per their priority in a ballot are allowed to be raised on a day.

Modification in laying of matters under Rule 377: The procedure with regard to laying of matters under Rule 377 on the Table of the House was modified. In case, it is decided by the Chair that the matters under Rule 377 will be treated as laid on the Table of the House, an announcement shall be made by the Chair that those members who have been permitted to raise matters under Rule 377 on that day may send slips at the Table within 20 minutes. Thereafter, members may personally hand over slips at the Table for inclusion of their matters in the proceedings of the House. Only those matters shall be treated as laid and shall form part of the proceedings for which slips have been received at the Table within the stipulated time.

Constitution of new Committees: The Committee System was further strengthened by constituting new Committees *viz*. Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes; Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with Members of Lok Sabha; and Two-tier Committee on Maintenance of Heritage Character and Development of Parliament House Complex. Several procedural changes were initiated in their functioning. An addition was made to the Directions and accordingly, 'no sitting of a Committee shall be cancelled or preponed or postponed by the Chairperson of a Committee by reason only of his absence from the sitting already fixed or his immediate non-availability for the sitting'. A new procedure was adopted which makes it possible for the Chairperson to invite local MPs to the sittings of Parliamentary Committees while on Study Tours so as to get their inputs or feedbacks on the issue concerned, especially towards implementation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

Online availability of inter se priority of Members tabling Notices of Questions: Under the system, results of ballots have been made available online for the convenience of members in addition to the continuing practice of their being displayed in the Parliamentary Notice Office for information of members. Under the arrangements, a log-in page has been created for the purpose which can be accessed by the member by selecting his/her name and entering a password in the form of Identity Card Number in three digits. Thereafter, a randomly generated captcha number needs to be entered by the Member for accessing the desired information. This exercise would enable the members to access the desired information quickly and also bring greater transparency in the working of the Secretariat.

With effect from the Twelfth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the status of notices of Questions tabled by members has been made available online.

National Flag Badge: The Rules Committee had decided to allow members to wear to the House the National Flag in the form of a Lapel Pin or Badge.

More languages for interpretation: The Rules Committee amended the Direction 115 B(1) and accordingly, three more languages, namely, Maithili, Manipuri and Nepali were added to the list of languages for which interpretation facility is available in the House.

First women Speaker of Lok Sabha: On 3 June 2009, the House had created history by electing unanimously Smt. Meria Kumar to the office of the Speaker that too belonging to the *Dalit* community for the first time in its fifty-seven year-long life.

***Promoting Gender Neutrality*:** As a path-breaking initiative, the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha and Directions by Speaker Lok Sabha have been made gender neutral as a part of an effort to promote gender equality.

Rule 374A Invoked: The Rule 374A which provides for automatic suspension of a member of being named by Speaker was added on 5 December 2001 to the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Lok Sabha. This Rule was invoked for the first time during this Lok Sabha on 23 August 2013 and subsequently on 2 September 2013 and 13 February 2014.

Constitution of Parliamentary Forums: During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, in addition to the Five Parliamentary Forums constituted during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, three more forums, namely on Disaster Management, Artisans and Craftspeople and Millennium Development Goals were constituted to provide the members an important platform to interact with subject experts and officials of the Ministries concerned. The formation of such Forums would provide the members with the required inputs on specialised subjects and help them in their parliamentary work and policy formulation.

Launching of a website of LSTV: On 9 May 2012, a website of Lok Sabha TV Channel (LSTV), www.loksabhatv.nic.in was launched by the Speaker, Lok Sabha in a function held at the Parliament Library Building. The LSTV has been playing an important role in bridging the gap between Parliament and the people and paving the way for bringing Parliament closer to the people. This would help people from all walks of life in seeking to address their concerns through this website.

Initiative to make Lok Sabha Secretariat as paperless: In order to bring more efficiency in the work of the Lok Sabha Secretariat, steps were taken to make the Secretariat as paperless as possible by harnessing information and communication technologies. The activities of Parliament Library are being digitized.

Maintenance of Heritage Character of Parliament House: Parliament House is a heritage building. A Joint Parliamentary Committee on Maintenance of Heritage Character and Development of Parliament House Complex was constituted on 15 December 2009 to maintain the heritage character of this unique and grand building. The Committee, consisting of 14 members under the Chairpersonship of the Hon'ble Speaker was constituted for the duration of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Speaker's Ruling on Cut Motions: As per the ruling of the Speaker, Lok Sabha during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Cut Motions on the Demands for Grants which were not discussed in the House and which were guillotined were treated as moved and were negatived. The practice followed so far in the House had been that the Cut Motions in respect of Demands for Grants which were to be guillotined were not circulated and thus not allowed to be moved.

Inauguration of Solar Plant: Efforts were made to make the Parliament Complex green and energy efficient. A Solar Power Plant in the Parliament House was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Speaker on 9 August 2011. Several trees on the verge of extinction in the country have been planted in the Parliament complex in the past five years like by planting *Kalpavriksha* and *Rudraksha* saplings by the Speaker, Lok Sabha on 18 August 2011. This is a very important step of immense significance towards setting the standards for using environment-friendly energy.

Sixtieth Anniversary of the First sitting of Parliament: During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the 60th anniversary of the first sitting of the Parliament of India was commemorated by holding a special sitting on 13 May 2012. On the occasion, the Speaker, Lok Sabha addressed the House from the Chair under Rule 360 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha. A Resolution was also passed to the effect. The Hon'ble President released coins in the denominations of Rs. 5/- and Rs. 10/- and the publications of the Lok Sabha Secretariat. A cultural programme was also organised in the Central Hall in which renowned artists performed.

Special Training Programme for Parliamentary Officers: For the first time, a Special Training Programme

in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Parliamentary Officers was organised in Arabic and Spanish languages from 15 to 26 April 2013 and was attended by participants from 7 countries, namely Algeria, Bahrain, Lebanon, Morocco, Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen.

Invitation to people from Remote and Tribal Areas: With a view to increasing parliamentary interactions with the public, the Hon'ble Speaker has taken the initiative of inviting people from remote and tribal areas of the country to visit Parliament. Few such visits have already taken place from Lakshadweep, Bihar and Manipur.

New facilities for differently-abled: To make Parliament more accessible, new facilities for the differently-abled have been introduced. Inscriptions in Braille for the visually challenged visitors were added to the Parliament Museum.

Floral tributes to Deceased Speakers and Portraits of former Speakers in Outer Lobby: It was decided that floral tribute functions on the birth anniversaries of the former deceased Speakers of Lok Sabha will be organised in the Central Hall of Parliament House. Accordingly on the occasions of the birth-anniversaries of M.A. Ayyangar (4 February), Shri N. Sanjiva Reddy (4 May), Shri G.S. Dhillon (8 August), Sardar Hukum Singh (30 August), Shri G.M.C. Balayogi (1 October), Shri Bali Ram Bhagat (7 October) and Shri G.V. Mavalankar (27 November) functions were held in the Central Hall of Parliament House. Booklets containing the profiles of these former Speakers, brought out in Hindi and English by the Lok Sabha Secretariat were distributed to the dignitaries present on the occasions.

It was also decided that portraits of all former Speakers of Lok Sabha and also the photographs of Presidents of Central Legislative Assembly may be installed in the outer lobby of Lok Sabha Chamber in chronological order so that there exists a Gallery of portraits of Presiding Officers in the Parliament Complex. Accordingly a function to unveil the photographs of Presidents of Central Legislative Assembly and the portraits of former Speakers of Lok Sabha was held on 10 February 2014 in the Central Hall of Parliament House. The Hon'ble President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee unveiled the photographs of Presidents of Central Legislative Assembly namely, Sir Frederick Whyle, Shri Vithalbhai Patel, Sir Mohammad Yakub, Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Sir R.K. Shanmukham Chetty and Sir Abdur Rahim and the portraits of former Speakers of Lok Sabha, namely, Sarvashri G.V. Mavalankar, M.A. Ayyangar, Sardar Hukum Singh, N. Sanjiva Reddy, G.S. Dhillon, Bali Ram Bhagat, K.S. Hegde, Bal Ram Jakhar, Rabi Ray, Shivraj V. Patil, P.A. Sangma, G.M.C. Balayogi, Manohar Joshi and Somnath Chatterjee in the Central Hall, Parliament House.

Outstanding Parliamentarian Award: On 18 August 2010, a function was held in the Central Hall of Parliament House to confer the Outstanding Parliamentarian Award instituted by the Indian Parliamentary Group (IPG) for the year 2007, 2008 and 2009 to Shri Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi, Shri Mohan Singh and Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi, respectively.

Lecture Series for Members of Parliament: During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, seven Lectures/Talks on diverse topics were organized under the Lecture Series for Members of Parliament.

Prof. Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual, Parliamentary Lecture: An Annual Memorial Parliamentary Lecture in honour of the eminent parliamentarian Prof. Hiren Mukerjee was instituted in 2008. During the period of Fifteenth Lok Sabha three Hiren Mukerjee Lectures were delivered, *viz*. 2nd Hiren Mukerjee Lecture delivered by Nobel Laureate Prof. Muhammad Yunus on 9 December 2009 on the subject – "Social Business: A Step towards Creating a New Social and Economic Order"; 3rd Hiren Mukerjee Lecture delivered by Prof. Jagdish Bhagwati on 2 December 2010 on – "Indian Reforms: Yesterday and Today"; and the 4th Lecture delivered by the Prime Minister of Bhutan, H.E. Lyonchhen Jigmi Y. Thinley on 20 December 2011 on "Gross National Happiness: A Holistic Paradigm for Sustainable Well-being".

Portraits and Statute Unveiled: On 4 May 2010, the Portrait of former Prime Minister, Shri Chandra Sekhar was unveiled by the Vice-President of India in the Central Hall of Parliament House and on 19 December 2011, Portrait of Dr. Tristao De Braganca Cunha was unveiled by the Speaker, Lok Sabha. On 7 May 2013, the Speaker, Lok Sabha unveiled the Statute of Shri Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao in Parliament House.

The President, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, arriving in procession to address members of both the Houses of Parliament on the opening day of the Budget Session on 21 February 2013

The then President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, arriving in procession to address members of both the Houses of Parliament on the opening day of the Budget Session on 21 February 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar with leaders of political parties in Lok Sabha on 17 November 2011

Dignitaries at the portrait of Smt. Indira Gandhi after paying floral tributes on her Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 19 November 2009

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Dr. Rammanohar Lohia on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 23 March 2010

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 14 April 2010

Dignitaries after unveiling of the portrait of Shri Chandra Shekhar in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 4 May 2010

Dignitaries at the portrait of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee after paying floral tributes on his Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 6 July 2010

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri on his Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 2 October 2010

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar on the occasion of his Mahaparinirvan Diwas in the Parliament House on 6 December 2010

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 9 May 2011

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Veer Savarkar on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 28 May 2011

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Shri Rajiv Gandhi on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 20 August 2011

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 31 October 2011

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Dr. Rajendra Prasad on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 3 December 2011

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Shri C. Rajagopalachari on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 10 December 2011

Dignitaries after unveiling the portrait of Dr. T.B. D'Cunha in the
Central Hall of Parliament House on 19 December 2011

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Chaudhary Charan Singh on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 23 December 2011

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Smt. Sarojini Naidu on her Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 13 February 2012

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 23 July 2012

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Dadabhai Naoroji on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 4 September 2012

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 2 October 2012

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das on his Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 5 November 2012

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to the former Speaker of Lok Sabha, Shri G.V. Mavalankar on his Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 27 November 2012

Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Kariya Munda and other dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose on his Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 23 January 2013

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Shri Morarji Desai on his Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 28 February 2013

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Babu Jagjivan Ram on his Birth Anniversary in Parliament House on 5 April 2013

Dignitaries at the portrait of Pandit Motilal Nehru on his Birth Anniversary in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 6 May 2013

Dignitaries at the unveiling of the statue of N.T. Ramarao in
Parliament House on 7 May 2013

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 11 November 2013

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 14 November 2013

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to martyrs on the occasion of the Twelfth Anniversary
of the terrorist attack on Parliament House, New Delhi, 13 December 2013

Dignitaries after paying floral tributes to Shri Madan Mohan Malviya on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 25 December 2013

Dignitaries at the portrait of Lala Lajpat Rai on his Birth Anniversary
in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 28 January 2014

The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, addressing the distinguished gathering at the function held in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 10 February 2014 for unveiling of Photographs of Presidents of Central Legislative Assembly and Portraits of Former Speakers of Lok Sabha. Also present on the dais are Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Vice-President of India; Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India and Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha

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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE*

Parliamentary control of public expenditure is one of the cardinal principles of all Parliamentary democratic systems. In the Indian system of Parliamentary democracy, the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) is the keystone of the arch of Parliamentary control on public finances and is regarded 'as the conscience keeper of the nation in financial matters'. With ever-increasing Government and defence expenditure, developmental outlays, large public sector investments, new modes of public spending like Public Private Partnership (PPP), the task of the PAC is becoming not only more extensive, but also quite onerous. On its unhampered functioning depends the safety of the taxpayers' money; on its efficiency depends the alertness, vigilance and honesty of officers concerned; and in the very existence of this institution lies the guarantee for a clean democratic administration.

The prime function of the Public Accounts Committee is to ascertain that money granted by Parliament has been spent by Government 'within the scope of the demand'. However, with the growing volume of public expenditure and consequently, the greater need for Parliamentary surveillance over Governmental spending, the PAC has increasingly started looking beyond the 'mere formality and legality' of expenditure to its 'wisdom, faithfulness and economy'. The Committee thus looks into cases involving losses, nugatory expenditure and financial irregularities. It also examines how far the Executive is adequately discharging its financial responsibilities in regard to various Governmental schemes and ascertains whether the schemes are being executed properly and their operations conducted efficiently and economically and whether they are producing the results expected of them. If any money has been spent on a service in excess of the amount granted by the House for the purpose, the Committee examines, with reference to the facts of each case, the circumstances leading to such an excess and makes such recommendations as it may deem fit. Such excesses are, thereafter, required to be brought up before the House by the Government for regularisation in the manner envisaged in Article 115 of the Constitution.

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To facilitate speedy regularisation of such excess expenditure by Parliament, the Committee presents a consolidated report, namely 'Excess over Voted Grants and Appropriations', relating to all Ministries/Departments in advance of the other reports.

Streamlining of procedure regarding submission of Remedial Action Taken Notes in respect of non-selected Audit paras

Until 1981, there was no practice of ascertaining the action taken by the Ministries/Departments on the audit paragraphs not selected by the Committee for detailed examination. However, with a view to ensuring accountability of the Executive in respect of all the issues dealt with in various Audit Reports, the Public Accounts Committee decided in 1982 that the Audit Reports from the year 1980-81 onwards be referred to the Ministries/Departments concerned for furnishing notes duly vetted by Audit showing remedial/corrective action taken on all the paragraphs contained therein. Taking note of the inordinate delays and persistent failures on the part of a large number of Ministries in reporting to the Committee the corrective action taken on audit paragraphs, the Committee in their 105th Report (Tenth Lok Sabha—1995-96) observed that the results of audit of Government's financial transactions would largely remain in vain, unless the Ministry of Finance devised an adequate mechanism to ensure timely submission of the Action Taken Notes. The Committee, therefore, recommended that the Action Taken Notes on all the paragraphs of the Reports of Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) of India should be furnished to the Committee through the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) within a period of 4 months from the date of laying of Audit Reports on the Table of the House (starting from 31 March 1996 onwards) with a view to further strengthening the system. Subsequently in 2000-2001, the Committee decided that these Action Taken Notes be categorized by Audit under three broad heads, namely "accepted", "partially accepted", and "not accepted". To facilitate easy reference and enabling the Committee to select some of these non-selected paras for detailed examination, the Committee further decided during 2006-2007, that a brief on the Action Taken Notes

that were categorized as "not accepted" by Audit may be furnished by the Office of C&AG of India indicating the reasons for such categorization as well as the points of difference between Audit and the Ministries/ Departments concerned.

As inordinate delays were noticed persistently in the receipt of the Remedial Action Taken Notes from various Ministries/Departments over the years, the Committee summoned Secretary (Expenditure) of the Government of India for a briefing on the subject on 15 September 2008. Taking a serious view of the matter, the Committee directed the Secretary (Expenditure) to take necessary action so that all the pending Remedial/ corrective Action Taken Notes are furnished within a specified period to the PAC. Subsequently, the Chairperson of PAC sought the Prime Minister's intervention in the matter so that the Remedial Action Taken Notes were furnished expeditiously by all Ministries/Departments to the PAC. As a result of these initiatives taken by the Public Accounts Committee, the respective Ministries/Departments have toned up their administrative machinery for timely submission of the Remedial Action Taken Notes.

Selection and examination of subjects by the Committee during Fifteenth Lok Sabha

A recent feature of working of the Committee has been its detailed evaluation of the performance of the Executive in implementing nation-wide development programmes affecting vast segments of the population. The focus of the Committee has been shifted to Performance Review of various development schemes and poverty alleviation programmes. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee examined and presented Reports on the following:

- National Programme for Nutritional Support to Primary Education,
- National Rural Health Mission,
- Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme,
- Supply Chain Management of Rations in Indian Army,
- Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme,
- Fertilizer Subsidy,
- Tax Administration,
- Defence Estates Management,
- Adarsh Co-operative Housing Society,
- Performance of Civil Aviation in India,
- Contravention of Constitutional Provisions by Ministry of Finance: Expenditure incurred on Interest on Refunds without Parliamentary Approval, etc.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee held 161 Sittings which lasted for about 295.47 hours. In all, 100 Reports were presented to the Parliament—54 Original and 46 Action Taken Reports. The Committee also laid on the Table of the House 25 Statements of Action Taken on the Action Taken Reports. The Committee made on-the-spot study to visit 25 Organizations/Establishments during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

A synoptic view of some of the important Reports presented by the Committee during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha has been enumerated below:

Ninth Report: *National Programme for Nutritional Support to Primary Education (Mid-Day Meal Scheme)*

In the Ninth Report of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), the Committee examined at length the National Programme for Nutritional Support to Primary Education (commonly known as the Mid-Day Meal Scheme) which was intended to boost universalisation of primary education by increasing enrolment, attendance and retention levels of children and simultaneously impacting on the nutritional levels of primary students across the country in a phased manner. The Committee found several deficiencies/ lapses in the implementation of this Scheme, *viz.* underutilization of allocated funds during 2007-08 and 2008-09; several lapses in the scheme of central support for providing the foodgrains through Food Corporation of India (FCI); allocation of foodgrains on anticipated not actual enrolments; drawal of foodgrains in excess of the requirements by some States; reported instances of diversion of funds and foodgrains meant for the Mid-Day Meal programme in 11 States; lack of most vital infrastructure *i.e.* pucca kitchen-cum-store/kitchen sheds required for implementation of the Mid-Day Meal Scheme; assigning responsibilities to teachers resulting in interference with teaching and learning activities; etc.

The Committee examined these issues and other incidental issues threadbare. The Committee recommended that suitable measures be devised to obviate recurrence of underutilization of funds and to measure the progress regarding the Scheme in terms of student enrolment, attendance, retention and reduction in the drop-outs which were the major objectives of the

scheme at the time of its inception. The Committee further recommended that appropriate measures be taken by the implementing authorities in various States so that foodgrain was lifted on realistic assessments. The Committee also urged fixing of responsibility for delay in construction of required kitchens and involvement of teachers in the Scheme only to supervision/ cooperation in serving of the meals without compromising with their teaching duties and provision of additional manpower and necessary support facilities to the schools wherever required.

Thirty-second Report: *National Rural Health Mission (NRHM)*

With a view to provide accessible, affordable, accountable, effective and reliable healthcare facilities in the rural areas of the entire country, especially to the poor and vulnerable sections of the population, the National Rural Health Mission was launched on 12 April 2005 throughout the country. The Committee's examination of the NRHM revealed: District Health Missions had not been constituted in all the States/UTs; Village Health and Sanitation Committees (VHSCs) were not formed in every village; only 4 States/UTs made the desired contribution of 15 per cent of the State Programme Implementation Plan from their own budget to NRHM; lack of infrastructure and hygienic conditions in various Health Centres at various levels; in 26 States/ UTs, State Health Societies' (SHS) had no documented procedures and practices on procurement as required under the NRHM; despite increase in the budget allocation of the Department of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy (AYUSH) from Rs. 775.00 crore in the Tenth Plan to Rs. 3988.00 crore in the Eleventh Plan, it had not been able to meet the 10% overall allocation of the Health Budget; etc. After detailed examination of these deficiencies/lapses, the Committee recommended preparation of a comprehensive central electronic database for all districts, State-wise and its uploading on the State Health Societies' website for easy access by district planning teams; need for launching a publicity campaign to sensitize the villagers for their effective participation in VHSCs; formation of the VHSCs in every village as per the guidelines and release of funds to the SHS only after the VHSCs were formed; scaling up the budgetary outlays for the NRHM for both the terminal year of the Eleventh Plan and for the Twelfth Plan period; the release of future instalment to the defaulter States contingent upon their making the stipulated contribution and recouping the accumulated short contribution to the State Mission budget; the State Governments take immediate corrective steps to maintain requisite infrastructure facilities and standard hygiene levels in all the health centres; establishment and operationalisation of the Centralized Procurement agency to be expedited; convert the Department of AYUSH into a full fledged Ministry thorough restructuring of NRHM; digitalization of Indian system of medicine, traditional medical knowledge etc.

Thirty-fifth Report: *Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP)*

The Committee observed various shortcomings/ lapses in the implementation of Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme. These pertained to the anomalies in regard to Annual Action Plans (AAPs) of several States not having been based on detailed and comprehensive habitation-wise analysis; instances of deficient financial controls besides instances of inadmissible expenditure and diversion of funds; slip back of fully covered habitations and re-emergence of problem habitations; inadequate infrastructure for testing and monitoring water quality and periodic testing requirements; poor distribution and utilisation of field testing kits at the Gram Panchayat/Village Water and Sanitation Committee (VWSC) level; lacunae in taking measures for ensuring sustainability of water resources especially ground water and depletion of ground water. For early redressal of these problems, the Committee recommended that a suitable methodology be adopted for new census; census be completed in a time bound manner; instructions be issued to the States to prepare and submit the AAP habitation-wise; suitable amendments be made in the ARWSP guidelines to make submission of AAPs in a time-bound manner. The Committee also recommended that the Ministry devise a strong Monitoring Mechanism in consultation with Chief Secretaries of States so that proposals were invariably received in time; water quality testing through laboratories be made a mandatory provision in the ARWSP Guidelines, technical staff requirements be assessed in the States and the Ministry of Rural Development monitor and ensure timely completion of projects without time overrun.

Forty-seventh Report: *Supply Chain Management of Rations in Indian Army*

The Committee examined the subject in detail and found several discrepancies/shortcomings in the functioning of the system of Supply Chain Management of Rations in Indian Army. These, amongst others, included dated procurement procedures adopted for provisioning of dry rations, issue of rations to troops even after the expiry of original Estimated Storage Life (ESL), highly non-competitive procurement procedure for fresh rations and deviation from the laid down norms of tendering process, poor satisfaction level of troops

regarding quality, quantity and taste of rations and insufficient number of Defence Food Labs for checking the quality of rations. Some of the significant recommendations of the Committee were that the terms and conditions of Army Purchase Organisation (APO) contracts be suitably revised and made stringent to provide for cancellation of non-performing contracts by forfeiture of their Performance Bank Guarantee and conclusion of fresh contracts; the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) be revisited and updated; steps be taken for implementation of the High Level Committee appointed by the Army in the wake of the Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) report. The Committee further recommended for strengthening the procurement procedures to overcome wide variations between provisioning and procurement, introduction of risk purchase clauses in the Central Procurement contracts to cover the local purchases made by the Supply Depots in case of non-performance of the Central Contract; revisiting/amending the existing provision of the Army Service Corps Technical Instructions under which the extension of ESL was carried out; taking immediate steps for appointment of eminently qualified Scientist/ Medical Officer at the Army Head Quarter (AHQ) level to supervise/monitor the quality control mechanism; leveraging on the emerging technology for preservation of food and induct latest technology for testing in all the Defence Labs; fostering competition and expanding the vendor base for supply of quality fresh rations to the troops; developing an efficient and effective computerized system connecting all the Supply Depots and Supply Points to avoid discrepancies in receipts by the Units and supply by the Depots and fixing responsibility on the officers concerned for the serious discrepancies and shortages noticed in the issue and receipt of rations.

Fifty-fifth Report: *Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS)*

The Committee's examination revealed several deficiencies/lapses in the implementation of the MPLAD Scheme like lack of participation of various active resident forums, local bodies, NGOs, etc., in determining works according to locally felt needs in MP's Constituencies; construction of office and residential buildings of Government Departments and Cooperative Societies in violation of the Guidelines, works within the premises of religious institutions, all works of renovation, repair and maintenance; delays in sanctioning works as well as sanctioning works without adhering to stipulated scheme procedures; missing basic internal control records such as asset registers, works registers, etc; assets created were not being utilized for the purpose for which these were sanctioned; diversion of funds; release of advances to Implementing Agencies in excess of the prescribed limit; non-refund of unspent balances by Implementing Agencies; etc. The Committee *inter alia* recommended that the Government take appropriate steps to ensure optimum utilization of the annual earmarked funds by the State Government/District Authorities (DAs) so that the unspent balances were reduced to the barest minimum; tighten the related provisions in the Guidelines and prescribe a definite time limit for the distribution of unspent balances of the Members of Parliament as well as for the timely closure of the accounts; incorporate a sunset clause in the Guidelines making it mandatory that if the States were unable to distribute the unspent balances within the prescribed time line, the funds would revert to the Centre; upload utilisation Certificates and Audit Certificates on the official website of the Ministry for effective monitoring and public scrutiny. The Committee further recommended involvement of local people/bodies while conceiving, designing and implementing works/projects under MPLADS; responsibility be fixed on the DAs and creation of a Central database containing district-wise list of all the eligible Trusts/Societies so as to avoid recurrence of lapses and to facilitate timely recoupment of funds; etc.

Eighty-first Report: *Fertilizer Subsidy*

The fertilizer subsidy regime in India has had a long and chequered history dating back to 1957. Currently, while urea is the only controlled fertilizer, which is subject to price distribution and movement control under the Fertilizer Control Order and Fertilizer Movement Control Order to the extent of 50 per cent of production, other fertilizers like Di Ammonium Phosphate (DAP), Mono Ammonium Phosphate (MAP), Single Super Phosphate (SSP), Triple Super Phosphate (TSP), Muriate of Potash (MOP) and Nitrogen, Phosphate and Potash (NPK) complexes are decontrolled fertilizers, whose use for agricultural purposes is subsidized. In actual practice, however, fertilizer, whether controlled or decontrolled are, in effect, subject to explicit/implicit control by the Government of India (GoI) to ensure a uniform sale price throughout the country, which is substantially lower than the cost of production/import and also to ensure proper targeting of fertilizer subsidy. The Committee's examination of the subject revealed certain very disquieting aspects which *inter alia* included deficient assessment of fertilizer requirement; huge gap between the demand and supply of fertilizers; lack of scientific and realistic assessment of the fertilizer requirement; failure to incentivize increase in the domestic production of fertilizer even after effecting

changes in the subsidy regime; virtual stagnation in the production of Urea during the last five years; numerous instances of non-availability/shortage of fertilizers; absence of physical verification of stocks and sale of fertilizers beyond the first stock point; selling of subsidized fertilizers by unauthorized outlets; irregularities in and excess payment on import of urea; diversion of subsidized fertilizers to the mixing units; inadequacy in the fertilizer quality testing infrastructure; deficient monitoring mechanism; etc. To overcome these deficiencies, the Committee recommended overall review of the assessment of fertilizer demand/requirement through relevant and accurate compilation of data; capacity/production augmentation of various kinds of fertilizers; creation of a conducive environment for the investors; expansion/revival of the closed Urea units; curtailment of dependence of import of fertilizers; due importance to Integrated Nutrient Management encompassing conjunctive use of chemical fertilizers and organic manure; timely availability/supply of fertilizers; curbing the menace of pilferage, diversion and leakage of subsidized fertilizers; need for a better oversight/ control over the mixed units using subsidized fertilizers; augmentation in the physical and human infrastructure of the Quality Testing and Soil Testing Laboratories; putting in place a clean and transparent subsidy administration regime and strengthening the monitoring mechanism in tandem with the State Governments.

Eighty-seventh Report: *Tax Administration*

The Committee examined in-depth various issues pertaining to the Direct Tax Administration which included marginal increase in Tax-GDP ratio, the effective tax rate for companies being substantially lower than the statutory tax rate, increase in the revenue foregone on account of tax exemptions, decline in the the assessee base, increase in pendency of scrutiny assessments, increase in the pendency rate of direct refunds claim and low rate of disposal of appeal cases. The main recommendations of the Committee were: re-orientation of the efforts of the Department of Revenue for widening of tax base by bringing in the potential and high net worth assessees into the tax net from specific sectors/channels/categories responsible for tax evasion; evolving a concerted action plan both for widening tax net through innovative means and targeting high net worth assessees; adoption of transparent manner and involvement of stakeholders; expeditious implementation of Direct Tax Code; phase out unwarranted tax exemptions/deductions; focus on non-intrusive but penetrating methods of tax collections; strict dealing with the tax evaders; suitable augmentation of the staff strength; creation of a special cell for settlement of refund claims; avoidance of adventurous assessments; engagement of special counsels with proven expertise in taxation matters to represent the complex cases in the Tribunals, High Courts and the Supreme Court; etc.

Eighty-ninth Report: *Defence Estates Management*

The Committee examined various shortcomings in 'Defence Estates Management' *viz.* lacunae in application of land norms; variations in records of actual land holdings; computerization of Defence Land Records; mutation of Defence Land; non-utilization/under-utilization of acquired land; commercial use of land; encroachment on Defence Land; unauthorized use of Defence Land for Golf and other activities; Defence Land being used for schools; unauthorized use of Defence Land for parks and clubs; payment of compensation; dismal state of management of leases; cases of delay in renewal of leases; and irregularities in management of Old Grant Sites. While appreciating the need for having sufficient lands for training as well as future needs of the Armed Forces, the Committee recommended that the whole issue of the requirement of land by the Forces be revisited in its entirety so that the land was put to optimum use by the Forces and the surplus land so identified be earmarked for other housing and developmental activities of the Armed Forces. The Committee further recommended comprehensive survey of all Defence Lands within a definite time period in view of large scale discrepancies in Records of Actual Land Holdings, expediting mutation of Defence Land, conduct of regular annual land audit and results therein to be reflected in the Annual Report of the Ministry presented to the Parliament in view of discontinuance of Land Audit by Directorate General Defence Estates (DGDE), creation of a single unified authority for management and protection of Defence Lands in view of unabated encroachment on Defence Land, formation of policy to address aspects and deficiencies pertaining to lease of Defence Land, etc.

Ninety-first Report: *Adarsh Co-operative Housing Society, Mumbai*

The Committee's examination of the subject revealed how a group of select officials holding key posts subverted rules and regulations, suppressed facts and took the ruse of welfare of servicemen and war widows and children in the entire process right from allocation of land to the Society, obtaining 'No Objection' from the Army, extension of various concessions by Government of Maharashtra, getting 'No Objection Certificate (NOC)' from Brihanmumbai Electric Supply and Transport Undertaking BEST for transfer of developmental rights of the adjoining land and obtaining clearance for residential development in Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) for personal gain. The Defence Minister while replying to a Parliamentary question had stated that

during investigation, the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) found that the file of Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) relating to grant of clearance was reportedly not traceable. The Committee *inter-alia* have sought explanation from the Ministry of Defence for non securing of ownership of properties and recommended that the CBI expedite its investigation; individual responsibility be fixed for the grave lapses; the list of membership of the Society be prepared on the indicated lines showing the membership and clearance nexus and furnished to the Committee; the State Government of Maharashtra take appropriate action on the report of the Enquiry instituted by them; the MoEF take action against those officials in Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority who failed to detect grave environmental violations in their jurisdiction; etc.

Ninety-third Report: *Performance of Civil Aviation in India*

In their Ninety-third Report, the Committee pointed out various deficiencies like lack of long term perspective plan about the bulk purchase agreement approved by the Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) and Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA); avoidable interest burden of Rs. 220.71 crore and debt funding by a foreign bank; lack of benchmarking and defective assumptions; failure to claim liquidated damages as per contract; faulty assumption about market share and fleet strength. The Committee recommended that the Dharmadhikari Committee Report on integration be made public and implementation status alongwith status of actual merger and integration of Air India (AI) and Indian Airlines (IA) be placed in Parliament; in future purchases, due assessment of commercial intelligence and the global air traffic scenario be made to arrive at a correct price; complete merger and consolidation be secured in the interest of harmonious relations *inter se* between the various stream of employees and the efficient functioning of AI; corrective measures be taken to restore balance and mutuality of interest between the foreign airlines and the National Carrier and equity infusion in Air India be expedited.

Ninety-sixth Report: *Contravention of Constitutional Provisions by Ministry of Finance: Expenditure incurred on Interest on Refunds without Parliamentary Approval*

The Committee in their 66th Report had disapproved withdrawal of moneys by the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) out of the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI) without Parliamentary approval. The Ministry had disbursed Rs. 37,365 crore between 2006-07 to 2010-11 in contravention of Art. 266 and 114. The view of the Ld. Attorney General (AG) that such unauthorized withdrawals contravened Constitution as pointed by the C&AG also formed the basis of the Committee's recommendation. The Ld. AG testified before the Committee that no withdrawal could take place from CFI without Parliamentary approval and in financial matter the correct procedure is to be laid down by the PAC and that administrative difficulty cannot be a ground for contravening the Constitution. Exhorting the Ministry of Finance to scrupulously abide by Constitutional provisions, the Committee cautioned them to desist from taking precipitous action which even remotely tinkers with, dilutes or negates Parliamentary control over public purse in any manner. Noting that the Income Tax Act, 1961 alone was being interpreted differently and on standalone basis by the Department of Revenue in contravention of the Constitutional provision and the procedure followed by other Departments of the Government, the Committee severely criticized the Ministry. With regard to the written testimony and late deposition of the Ld. Attorney General conceding that the provision of Article 114 is supreme and the Department had to follow the procedure prescribed by the PAC, the Committee viewed that the Department of Revenue had no option but to seek *ex ante* or *ex post facto* Parliamentary approval for interest payments on tax refunds. Concluding that the Constitution leaves no doubt about the manner of authorization of expenditure or withdrawal of moneys from and out of the CFI, the Committee recommended to seek *ex-ante* approval under Article 114 and 115(1) (a) or *ex-post facto* approval of Parliament under Article 115(1)(b) of the Constitution.

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ESTIMATES COMMITTEE*

Introduction

Under the Constitution of India no money can be drawn or spent by the Union Government out of the Consolidated Fund of India except under the authority of law passed by Parliament. That way Parliament alone has the power of the purse. Government proposals for expenditure out of the Consolidated Fund of India are presented to the Lok Sabha in the form of the Demands for Grants before the commencement of each financial year and also, if necessary, at later stages through the Supplementary Demands for Grants during the course of the year. These are discussed and voted by the Lok Sabha before the law authorising the Government to draw and spend the money is passed by Parliament.

Parliamentary control over public expenditure is, however, not limited only to the voting of money required by the Government for carrying on the administration of the country but also extends to ensuring that the expenditure is incurred in a prudent manner on plans and programmes approved by Parliament and that the objectives underlying them are achieved. Even though the Lok Sabha may like to discuss the Demands for Grants for a sufficiently long period before voting, due to the magnitude and complexity of the State activities, it is almost impossible for Parliament as a body to scrutinize the myriad proposals of expenditure and Government activities in minute details. In fact, it has neither the time for a thorough scrutiny of the plethora of items included in the Demands for Grants and the achievements claimed by the Government nor, it is suited for such a task because of its size and procedure. Therefore, need for a Parliamentary mechanism to examine in-depth the estimates presented to the House and to appraise or evaluate critically the plans and programmes of the Government as well as its performance in the field has always been there. To fulfil this need, Lok Sabha sets up the Estimates Committee, together with other two Financial Committees, *viz.* Public Accounts Committee and the Committee on Public Undertakings. Besides these three Financial Committees, 24 Departmentally-Related Standing Committees are constituted for the purpose.

Historical Background

The question of setting up an Estimates Committee to examine the expenditure of the Government in greater detail had been raised in the Central Legislature from time to time since 1937, but the proposal was accepted by the Government only in 1950. The Committee was first constituted on 10 April 1950 to examine the estimates with a view to effecting economies in public expenditure and improvements in organisation, efficiency or administrative reforms.

The then Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Shri G.V. Mavalankar, while addressing the first Estimates Committee on 18 April 1950 succinctly analysed the principal objectives, role and functions of the Estimates Committee, as follows:

- to associate with and train as large a number of members as possible, not only in the ways in which the administration is carried on, but also to make them conversant with the various problems that Government has to meet from day to day;
- to exercise control over the Executive so that it does not become oppressive or arbitrary;
- to influence the policies of the Government; and
- to act as a liaison between the Government and the general public.

In the words of Shri Mavalankar:

"The work of the Committee is very onerous and important. Unless the Committee closely studies and thoroughly grasps both the purpose and the machinery for executing the plan, the estimates of which are before it, it will not be able to examine fully and properly the relevant estimates and to suggest economies in money, time and energy. An efficient examination by the Committee will go to

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create consciousness in Governmental machinery that there is someone who will scrutinise what is proposed. This itself is a great check on the Executive. The examination of it, if properly carried out, will lead to general efficiency of the administration. The examination by the Committee may also be useful as a guide for both future estimates and future policies."

Composition

Initially, the Estimates Committee consisted of 25 members elected by the Lok Sabha from amongst its Members according to a principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote. This system of election ensures that all major political parties and groups in the Lok Sabha are represented on the Committee fairly in proportion to their strength in the Lok Sabha. In 1956, the membership of the Committee was raised to 30. Conventionally, the major parties nominate their members, for election to the Committee, for consecutive terms.

A special feature of the Estimates Committee is that it consists exclusively of members of the Lok Sabha. The reason for this appears to be the vesting of exclusive powers on Lok Sabha in respect of Money Bills by the Constitution of India.

Conditions for Membership

A member, if appointed as a Minister, ceases to be a member of the Committee from the date of such appointment. A healthy practice established under the Speaker's direction is that no member can continue the membership of the Committee if the member is already a member or after being elected to the Estimates Committee accepts membership of any other Committee appointed by the Government without the Speaker's approval. This provision is intended to keep the Committee free from any influence of the Government and enable it to arrive at conclusions on the basis of facts which come to its notice objectively, without any fear or favour. It also helps the officials of the Government in expressing their views before the Committee with candour, besides allowing the Committee to function in an apolitical manner.

Term

The term of the Committee is one year starting from 1 May to 30 April the next year. Even if the Committee is appointed later than 1 May, consequent upon the constitution of a new Lok Sabha, its term expires on 30 April, irrespective of the fact that it does not complete a full term of one year.

Chairperson

The Chairperson of the Committee is appointed by the Speaker from amongst the members of the Committee. The Chairpersons so far appointed by the Speaker have been either from the ruling party or from one of the parties supporting the Government. By convention, the Chairperson of the outgoing Committee, if re-elected to the Committee, is appointed by the Speaker as Chairperson for consequent term. The Committee has had the privilege of being chaired by eminent leaders like Shri M. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar who was its first Chairperson, Shri Balwantray Gopalji Mehta, Shri H.C. Dasappa, Shri A.C. Guha, Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah, Shri M. Thirumala Rao, Shri Kamal Nath Tewari, Shri R.K. Sinha, Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad, Shri Satyendra Narayan Sinha, Dr. Baldev Prakash, Shri S.B.P. Pattabhi Rama Rao, Shri Bansi Lal, Shri Chintamani Panigrahi, Smt. Chandra Tripathi, Shri Ashutosh Law, Shri Jaswant Singh, Shri Manoranjan Bhakta, Dr. Krupasindhu Bhoi, Shri S.B. Sidnal, Shri Rupchand Pal, Shri Madhukar Sirpotdar, Prof. Ummareddy Venkateswarlu and Shri C. Kuppusami and Shri Francisco Sardinha*.

Functions

The Committee on Estimates is constituted every year for examination of such of the estimates as may seem fit to the Committee or are specifically referred to it by the House or the Speaker. The functions of the Committee, as enshrined in Rule 310 of the **'Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Lok Sabha'**, are as follows:

"(a) to report what economies, improvements in organisation, efficiency or administrative reform, consistent with the policy underlying the estimates may be effected;

(b) to suggest alternative policies in order to bring about efficiency and economy in administration;

(c) to examine whether the money is well laid out within the limits of the policy implied in the estimates; and

(d) to suggest the form in which the estimates shall be presented to Parliament:

Provided that the Committee shall not exercise its functions in relation to such public undertakings as are allotted to the Committee on Public Undertakings by these rules or by the Speaker."

*Shri C. Kuppusami and Shri Francisco Sardinha held the Chair of the Committee during the entire term of the 14th Lok Sabha and the 15th Lok Sabha, respectively.

The term 'Policy' referred to in clause (a) above has been amplified by the following directions by the Speaker:

- The term 'policy' referred to in clause (a) of Rule 310 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha relates only to policies laid down by Parliament either by means of Statutes or by specific Resolutions passed by it from time to time.

- It shall be open to the Committee to examine any matter which may have been settled as a matter of policy by the Government in the discharge of its executive functions.

- With regard to clause (b) of Rule 310, the Committee shall not go against the policy approved by Parliament; but where it is established on evidence that a particular policy is not leading to the expected or desired results or is leading to waste, it is the duty of the Committee to bring to the notice of the House that a change in policy is called for. The fundamental objectives of the Committee are economy, efficiency in administration and ensuring that money is well laid out, but, if on close examination, it is revealed that large sums are getting wasted because a certain policy is followed, the Committee may point out the defects and give reasons for the change in the policy for the consideration of the House.

The scope of the examination of matters of policy by the Estimates Committee was discussed by the then Chairperson, Estimates Committee Shri B.G. Mehta, with the then Speaker on 1 September 1958. He spelt out the scope of examination with which the Speaker agreed, as follows:

> "With regard to the matters of policy to be considered by the Committee, I had in my mind all along during my discussions with the Hon'ble Speaker that the Committee had to consider matters of policy flowing from the considerations of economy, efficiency, uniformity, better output of work; greater satisfaction of people's need and the best possible use of the people's money of which the Parliament and its Committee, the Estimates Committee, are custodians. I agree that the Estimates Committee may not consider a matter of policy by itself merely because it requires to be changed on merit. Such consideration should have some relation to the various points I have enumerated above. There could not be such consideration without such relation. But it would be neither desirable nor practicable, to rule out all considerations of policy matters flowing from the above mentioned considerations."

As is evident from the above details, the functions of the Estimates Committee are not confined to the examination of "estimates" alone; the scope of examination is quite comprehensive and extends to the examination of any aspect of the organisations and working of any Ministry/Department of the Government of India or of subordinate offices and bodies not specifically excluded from its purview by the Rules of Procedure. The Committee can as well enquire into any scheme, project or any other activity undertaken by the Central Government which may involve expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India. The Committee, however, does not go beyond the estimates and is not concerned with the process of formulation of estimates and their finalisation before their presentation to the Lok Sabha. While the Committee may examine the "Budget Estimates" presented to the Lok Sabha before the Demands for Grants are finally voted[$], the Committee's inquiry is, in practice, limited to subjects taken up for detailed examination which is necessarily a time consuming process. The passage of the Budget is, therefore, not dependent on the completion of the Committee's work.

The Estimates Committee has been authorized under the Rules of Procedure to make detailed rules regulating its working and in exercise of this power, the Committee has framed Rules of Procedure for its internal working. The procedures so evolved in the course of working of the Committee during the last 64 years have made the Committee an effective instrument of inquiry into various aspects of the functioning of the Government of India.

The activities of the Government have become so vast and extensive involving expenditure on such a large scale that the Committee, circumscribed as it is in the matter of time and resources at its command, is, obliged to select a few subjects only for detailed examination during its one year term of office.

Selection of Subjects

Immediately after its constitution every year, the Committee holds its first sitting for selection of subjects for examination during the course of the year. The subjects are selected after considering the various suggestions made by the Chairperson and the members.

[$]However, since the formation of the Departmentally-Related Standing Committees (DRSCs) *w.e.f.* 8 April 1993, this function is being performed by the DRSCs.

The Committee's endeavour has been to take up for examination the subjects which are of public importance or matters of special interest to the common man or are of topical nature.

Matters referred to the Committee by the House/ Speaker

Apart from the subjects selected by the Committee for examination, *ad hoc* subjects of public importance may also be referred to the Committee for examination from time to time by the House or the Speaker. Such references may be made either through observations made by the Speaker in the House or in the form of a communication from the Speaker to the Chairperson of the Committee.

Appointment of Sub-Committees/Study Groups

As soon as the Committee is constituted, it may appoint one or more Sub-Committee(s)/Study Group(s) for carrying out detailed examination of various specific subjects and for scrutiny of action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the previous Reports of the Committee and for considering procedural and general matters. These Sub-Committees/ Study Groups are appointed by the Chairperson of the Committee after taking into account the consent of the members to serve on them. The system of Study Groups enables the members to apply themselves intensively to the study of subjects according to their aptitude and also encourages specialization among members. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, a Study Group was constituted to examine the action taken replies furnished by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Reports of the Committee.

Collection of Material

The Committee has power 'to send for persons, papers and records'. The Committee also has an elaborate system of collecting material and information not only from the Government but also from non-official organisations, institutions or experts on subjects under examination. This is done by eliciting replies to questionnaires issued to the institutions concerned as also requesting them to make specific suggestions for consideration by the Committee.

After the subjects are selected for examination, the Ministries/Departments concerned are asked to furnish preliminary material on them within a specified time. For this purpose, a questionnaire on each subject is drawn up and supplied to the Ministry/Department concerned. After going through the preliminary material, the members may suggest points on which further information is required. All the important points emerging as a result of study of the preliminary material and other literature on a subject, including the points suggested by the members, are consolidated in the form of a questionnaire. After approval by the Chairperson, the questionnaire is sent to the Ministry/Department concerned for furnishing replies in writing. The Committee has also evolved a system of calling memoranda on the subjects selected by it for examination from leading non-official organisations, interested parties and eminent persons having special expertise or knowledge of the subject which could be of advantage and use to the Committee in its examination. If considered necessary, selected non-official organisations, institutions and individuals are also called by the Committee for oral evidence.

Study Tours

The Committee undertakes Study Tours/visits for on-the-spot study of various institutions and establishments connected with the subject under examination and holds informal discussions with representatives of the official / non-official organisations concerned located at the place of visit. The Committee may divide itself into two Study Groups for undertaking tours. Each tour is undertaken with the specific approval of the Speaker. As per the revised guidelines which came into effect from 18 May 2005, a Study Tour is undertaken for a period ordinarily not exceeding 5 working days. The total number of days does not exceed 10 in a year. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee undertook eight Study Tours of 5 days' duration each. The information gathered during informal discussions held with local officials is of considerable use to the Committee. Such Tours make it possible for members to gain first-hand knowledge about the working of the organisation concerned. This enlarges their knowledge and experience and enables them to function in a more enlightened, objective and judicious manner during the examination of the subject by the Committee.

Oral Evidence

The representatives of the Ministries concerned with the subjects, headed by the Secretary of the Ministry/Head of the Department, are called to tender oral evidence before the Committee. The oral evidence of the representatives of Ministries is based on questionnaires framed in advance after in-depth study of the material and information collected from the Government and non-official organisations and during Study Tours. There may be certain points on which the witnesses are unable to furnish information to the Committee during the evidence. In such cases, the Chairperson may permit the witnesses to furnish replies subsequently in writing. A Minister is not called before the Committee either to

give evidence or for consultation in connection with the examination of estimates by the Committee. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, out of the total 116 sittings held by the Committee, 90 sittings were dedicated to either taking oral evidence or hearing to the representatives of the Ministries.

Examination of Estimates relating to the Ministry of Defence

A separate procedure has been laid down for examining the estimates of the Ministry of Defence. The examination of estimates relating to the Ministry of Defence is entrusted to a Sub-Committee of the Committee. The Sub-Committee on Defence has all the powers of the undivided Committee, among which the most notable are the powers to take oral evidence and to draw up a Report which is deemed to be a Report of the whole Committee, if approved by the latter.

Draft Report

After the oral evidence of the representatives of the Government is over and all the information promised by the Government during evidence is received, the report of the Committee on the subject is drafted. The Draft Report is divided into Chapters and the Chapters into Sections, each dealing with specific matters. The report generally consists of a narrative portion which summarises the material received and evidence tendered before the Committee and is followed by the observations/ recommendations of the Committee.

The Draft Report, after approval of the Chairperson, is placed before the Committee for consideration and adoption. A copy of the draft Report, without the recommendations/observations of the Committee, is sent to the Ministry concerned for factual verification. This is done to ensure that the facts contained in the Report are absolutely correct and updated. After factual verification by the Ministry concerned, the Report is presented to the Lok Sabha by the Chairperson. Thereafter, a Press Release, indicating some of the important recommendations made in the Report, is issued by the Secretariat.

Action Taken Reports

After presentation a copy of the Report is sent to the Ministry concerned for taking follow-up action on the observations/recommendations of the Committee. The Ministries are expected to furnish the action taken replies within a period of six months. The action taken replies when received, are examined by the Committee and a Report containing the views and recommendations of the Committee on 'Action Taken Replies' of the Government is presented to the Lok Sabha. After its presentation, a copy of the Action Taken Report is also sent to the Ministry concerned to furnish statements of action taken or proposed to be taken by them on the observations/recommendations contained in Chapter I and the final replies to the recommendations contained in Chapter V of the Report as early as possible *i.e.* within a period of six months from the date of presentation of the Report.

Laying of Statements of Action Taken

The statements of action taken or proposed to be taken as furnished by the Government are processed and scrutinized to see that the replies are complete in all respects. These Statements of action taken/proposed to be taken on the recommendations contained in the Action Taken Report, after approval of the Chairperson, are laid on the Table of the House without any further comments. This completes the examination of the subject by the Committee.

Consensual Approach in Deliberations

There is a great degree of harmony among the members during the deliberations of the Committee and various shades of opinion represented on the Committee having divergent views on different issues emanating before the Committee are synthesized to find the maximum area of rapprochement.

An important aspect of the functioning of this Committee is that its decisions are always objective, judicious and unanimous and that party considerations do not come in the way of their deliberations. The Committee work with a team spirit to uphold the values of the parliamentary system so as to make the Executive more accountable to Parliament.

The Reports of the Committee are adopted with collective approval. There is no system of appending Minutes of Dissent with the Reports of the Committee. The objectivity reflected in the Reports of the Committee and the consensus among members on its recommendations/observations, in a large measure, account for the esteem in which recommendations/ observations of the Committee are held by the Government. No wonder, the majority of the recommendations of the Committee find ready acceptance with the Government.

Positive and Constructive Approach

The Committee has always had a positive and constructive approach in dealing with the subjects examined by it. In the discharge of its duties, the

Committee works in close liaison with the Executive. The aim is to implement the will of the Parliament. While pointing out and criticizing the organisational inadequacies, inefficient execution of projects and schemes and expenditure incurred without realizing the full value of money, the Committee has, at the same time given suggestions for corrective action to effect improvements in the working of Government Departments/ Organisations. The Committee is generally more interested in corrective measures and procedural improvement in the system for economic and efficient implementation of plans/projects and policies.

The Committee has, in its almost 64 years of existence built up a wholesome reputation of being fearless and constructive. Its appraisal of the functioning of various Government Departments has been objective and non-partisan. Its vigil over governmental spending and timely reports and constructive suggestions to plug the loopholes in the existing systems and policies have resulted in improvement in the organisation and working of the Government of India. The Committee also provide a forum for interaction between the Government and Parliament and an opportunity for information to flow from the former to the latter and ultimately to the people. The Estimates Committee has certainly performed its role with vigour, objectivity, impartiality and a sense of fairness so as to inspire respect in the administration and trust in the public mind.

Reports

Since its inception and upto the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee has presented 993 Reports (Original as well as Action Taken Reports) covering almost the entire gamut of activities of the Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India. This includes Thirty-six Reports (Nineteen Original and Seventeen Action Taken) presented during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha:

Some of the important recommendations contained in the Original Reports presented by the Committee during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are given below:

- **First Report on Drought Management, Foodgrain Production and Price Situation**

  (i) Having noted that inaccurate forecasts of India Metrological Department (IMD) deprived the Government of taking advance steps to ensure adequate production of foodgrains, the Committee recommended that necessary steps should be taken by IMD to forecast monsoon behavior accurately and wherever necessary, technological upgradations of dedicated satellites, should be carried out in a time bound manner to ensure speedy dissemination of the weather forecasts.

  (ii) Emphasising that the concern of small and marginal farmers should be taken care of, the Committee recommended that Minimum Support Price (MSP) of food crops should always start from the cost of cultivation +50% (C2+50%). Moreover, the Ministry should make arrangements for the setting up of procurement camps/centres by Food Corporation of India instead of leaving procurement of foodgrains to private mill owners. The Committee also recommended that wide publicity should also be made about the MSP and about the locations of procurement centres to create awareness among the farmers.

- **Seventh Report on Sports – Policy, Infrastructure and Training Facilities**

  (i) Observing that Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan (PYKKA) is an ambitious programme in view of the sheer number of village and block Panchayats in the country, the Committee desired that the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports should conduct a study of the cost factor involved in providing even the most basic sports facility in a village and accordingly modify the scheme. The Committee had also opined that the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) could be linked with Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan (PYKKA) and urged the Ministry of Sports to consult the Ministry of Rural Development on the matter and take suitable action.

  (ii) While noting that there is no optimal utilization of the existing stadia, the Committee recommended that instead of keeping a stadium exclusively for use of one sport discipline, it should be optimally used for various disciplines. The Committee had also emphasized that the Ministry should adopt the policy of constructing multipurpose stadia in view of less availability of land.

- **Ninth Report on Indian Ports – Infrastructure Development and Capacity Enhancement**

  (i) The Committee had noted that many projects of infrastructure development and capacity enhancement at the major ports are not only getting delayed/deferred due to problems in land acquisition but in some cases, it is turning out

to be a very cumbersome process ending in litigation too, the Committee had advised that the Ministry should constitute a local Committee consisting of District Magistrates/elected representative/State Government official/Ministry before commencement of land acquisition, which can look into grievances arising out of displacement/rehabilitation/compensation issues and try to settle the matter within the ambit of the law of the land.

- **Eleventh Report on National Highways Development Project including implementation of Golden Quadrilateral**

(i) As the National Highways projects are capital-intensive, the Committee were of the opinion that the Government's intervention was not only desired but also indispensable to enable faster capital inflows and resource mobilization in this infrastructure sector. The Committee, therefore, suggested that in the current environment, when the economy was coming out of recession, it is imperative that the issue of availability of long term debt with back-ended repayment structure be pursued at the highest level in order to provide an institutional mechanism for specialized infrastructure financing.

(ii) The Committee had observed that, the Built Operate Transfer (BOT) mode of delivery, being a market driven delivery mechanism, tended to localize development to areas, which were already developed, leading to a serious risk of underdeveloped areas being ignored and differences getting further accentuated. The Committee, therefore, recommended that those projects, which had not been able to attract private investors so far, should not be left to be doomed and that the Ministry should evolve alternate strategies for such projects on priority basis. Resorting to Engineering Procurement Construction Contract mode of delivery could be one of them.

(iii) The Committee felt that provisions of collection of fee/toll in perpetuity was fundamentally wrong and thus needed to be reviewed in the light of gained experiences. The Committee were also not satisfied with the financial model of NHAI to indicate the benchmark Internal Rate of Return (IRR), which determines the optimum concession period within which the concessionaire would recover the capital cost of the project and other project related expenditure besides earning a reasonable return. The Committee, therefore, suggested the Ministry to review and revisit the Rules and Regulations regarding collection of toll, so that it does not become an instrument of malpractice and unjust profiteering by unscrupulous elements to harass the general public.

- **Fourteenth Report on Development and Regulation of Civil Aviation**

(i) Having observed that there have been cases of frequent and sudden hike of domestic airfares in an unreasonable manner, the Committee have recommended that the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and the newly formed Civil Aviation Economic Regulatory Authority Council should work in sync to check such unwarranted indulgence by various airlines and should devise measures to ensure proper compliance of the directives by various scheduled airlines so as to prevent harassment of the consumers.

(ii) While showing serious concern on the aviation industry's inability to cope with the current tax regime, especially the hefty Sales Tax on Aviation Turbine Fuel which has been causing an adverse effect on the growth of the aviation sector over a period of time, the Committee had exhorted that the Ministry of Civil Aviation must take up the matter with the Ministry of Finance on priority basis and work towards simplification of the tax regime which is imperative for the growth of the aviation sector.

- **Fifteenth Report on Role and Functioning of Telecom Service Providers in Mobile Telephony**

(i) The Committee noted that although the telecom sector has witnessed a tremendous growth in the last decade, yet the overall trend of growth in rural areas is far from even being proportionate. While observing that although the rural telephony has reached 315.39 million subscribers by the end of December, 2011, it is much less when compared to urban areas. In this regard, the Committee had emphasized that adequate provision of rural telephony is Government's obligation and the Department should take all the appropriate measures so that the urban – rural divide is bridged at the earliest.

(ii) The Committee had noted that although the radiation levels of all the tested Base Transceiver Stations (BTSs) were in compliance with the prescribed levels, only 1.07 per cent out of the

total self certified BTSs submitted by the various Telecom Service Providers were tested by the respected Telecom Enforcement Resource and Monitoring (TERM) Cells of The Department of Telecommunications (DoT). The Committee had opined that such a miniscule percentage for checking compliance of radiation norms by TERM Cells does not give the real picture and have recommended that stringent check must be made on the Telecom Service Providers for compliance of the norms, especially when several organizations, research bodies, stakeholders and individuals all over the world have strong views on the harmful effects of Electromagnetic Force radiation emanating from mobile towers.

(iii) While appreciating the steps taken by the Department to address the issue related to national security risk and import of telecom equipment, the Committee had recommended that the Department should take a cue from the recent investigation carried out by the United States House of Representatives' Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence which has gauged the level of threat to the United States and asked a detailed accounting of foreign made hardware/software on the service provider's network alongwith the information related to security incidence such as discovery of unauthorized electronic hardware or suspicious equipment capable of duplicating for redirecting data. They also recommended that the Department should look into the issues of national security emerging out of import of SIM cards, fake and duplicate numbers so that the national security is not at stake.

- **Eighteenth Report on Procurement and Storage of Foodgrains**

(i) Having identified certain critical issues, such as, loss of foodgrains due to mismanagement of procurement as well as inadequate and faulty storage techniques, saturation in procurement from the North and North-Western parts of the country, non existence of an efficient machinery for foodgrains management in the non-traditional procuring States, non-adoption of DCP (Decentralized Procurement) Scheme by many States despite 15 years of the implementation of the scheme, complaints regarding TPDS (Targeted Public Distribution System), absence of Vigilance Committees/irregular functioning of Vigilance Committees in some of the States, acute storage gap between intermediate and actual storage capacity and faulty techniques of storage etc., the Committee had called for expeditious action to address the same.

(ii) While expressing regret over the fact that still 6 lakh targeted AAY (Antyodaya Anna Yojana) families remain to be identified and issued ration cards, despite the passing of 7 years since the last expansion of AAY, the Committee had suggested that the Ministry must coordinate with those State Governments where the identification of the targeted beneficiaries has not been completed and submit a status report. The Committee had also urged the Ministry to clarify the correct data on poor families in India.

- **Twenty First Report on Tribal Welfare Schemes**

(i) The Committee recommended that the National Policy for Scheduled Tribes should be drawn up expeditiously and specific targets and time lines drawn for socio-economic development of tribal population.

(ii) The Committee had opined that the Ministry of Tribal Affairs would learn from past failures and improve its performance through innovative measures in order to lessen the shortfall in utilization of Plan expenditure. Further, the Committee recommended that the Central Plan Scheme Monitoring System (CPSMS) initiated by the Comptroller General of Accounts should be fully implemented expeditiously in order to get online information of fund deployment/ utilisation.

- **Twenty Second Report on Performance of Sports Authority of India (SAI)**

(i) While expressing regret over minuscule number of medals won by SAI trainees in international events over the years and the absence of the system of fixing medal targets, the Committee had called for evaluation and review of achievements of SAI.

(ii) While observing that the dismal performance of Indian Hockey team in the London Olympics, 2012 is partly due to the fact that neither of the two existing Hockey Federations are recognized by the Government, the Committee had recommended that the sports federations must be made accountable to the Government for producing better results in international sports events.

- **Twenty Third Report on Crop Diversification**

(i) The Committee felt that there was need for sustained and accelerated efforts to considerably augment production of horticultural/plantation crops in view of the changing dietary pattern and growing demand for fruits/vegetables. Further, the huge potential in North-East States and the sub-Himalayan Northern States endowed with necessary agro-climatic conditions for horticultural plantation, must be fully harnessed by proper planning and setting targets.

(ii) Taking note of the fact that cold storage capacity for vegetables and fruits is as little as 0.39 percent whereas the capacity for potatoes was 75.36 percent, leading to heavy post-harvest losses of fruits and vegetable, the Committee had emphasized that the serious imbalance in cold storage capacity requires to be addressed urgently.

- **Twenty Fifth Report on Higher Education in India**

(i) While noting that higher education system is mired in poor quality of curriculum, instructions, teacher quality, research and that there exist wide regional imbalances in access to higher education, the Committee felt that there is a need for expansion upgradation and quality improvement especially in State higher educational institutions.

(ii) The Committee felt that there was a need for strict vigilance over 312 unapproved private institutions, which fleece gullible students. The Committee desired that in case of any complaint against such institutions a time frame stipulated enquiry be conducted and heavy penalty imposed on the management of such institutions.

(iii) The Committee while noting with concern that as many as 40 per cent and 35 per cent of the sanctioned posts in state universities and central universities respectively are lying vacant, had recommended that National Mission on Teachers and Training be expeditiously finalized and implemented.

- **Twenty Sixth Report on Malnutrition in Infants and Mothers**

(i) The Committee had noted that scarce resources were being frittered away in setting up numerous Anganwadi Centres (AWCs)/Mini Anganwadi Centres without much focus on uplifting children's nutrition. They felt that the population norm of one AWC for 400-800 people fixed by the Ministry of Women and Child Development appeared to be flawed given the fact that the children under 6 years (1645 lakh) constitute less than 13.6 per cent of the total population (121 crore) in our country. The Committee, therefore, had concluded that one AWC is expected to handle just 50-100 children on an average in a month which translates into merely 2-4 children per day (if the average in number of visit by children is once a month) and therefore Committee suggested the need to explore the feasibility of introducing mobile AWCs on experimental basis to cover thinly populated habitations to ensure optimum utilization of resources.

(ii) Observing that the problem of malnutrition is intergenerational and multi factoral, which can be dented only through addresssing multiple factors such as poverty, illiteracy especially female illiteracy, gender discrimination, environment hygiene and food scarcity, the Committee felt that it was imperative that convergence with other schemes/Ministries such as those concerning Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation, Rural Development, Human Resource Development, Panchayati Raj, etc. is effected at the ground level. They, therefore, had suggested for innovative strategies such as aligning mid day meals with nutritional norms through convergence with Ministry of Human Resource Development, or with the Ministry of Food and Consumer Affairs.

- **Thirtieth Report on National Film Archive of India (NFAI)**

(i) While taking note of the fact that there is no legal compulsion on the part of filmmakers or the whole film fraternity to contribute and preserve their films for posterity, resulting in the loss of countless number of films and filmic material, the Committee had urged the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to formulate a comprehensive National Policy on film acquisition covering the areas of restoration, digitization and preservation of films and filmic material.

(ii) Expressing concern over the urgent need to construct additional vaults for storing colour films; replacement of air conditioning system of the existing film vaults and replacement of fire-

fighting system, the Committee urged that the Ministry should address the infrastructural constraints faced by NFAI expeditiously.

(iii) While observing that 'film studies' is a neglected area in the scheme of things in NFAI and only a very few universities offer research work in cinema, the Committee desired the NFAI to find ways and means to encourage film studies and ensure that adequate research work is undertaken and timely award of research projects is given.

- **Thirty Fifth Report on Development of Tourism**

(i) The Committee had emphasized on the need to redress the major constraints for tourism development in the country like safety of tourists particularly foreign tourists, shortage of skilled manpower, inadequacy of accommodation, lack of cleanliness in tourist sites, meagre plan outlay and lack of convergence of efforts and resources for tourism development from various Central Ministries, stake-holders and private investors.

(ii) Expressing concern over the safety and security of tourist particularly foreign tourists, the Committee desired that the matter regarding deployment of tourist police and forming of Tourist Security Organizations be pursued with the State Governments.

(iii) Expressing concern over the cleanliness and quality and the extent of tourist amenities, sewerage and drainage, waste management and sanitation arrangements in and around a number of monuments, tourist sites, the Committee suggested that pro-active steps should be taken by Ministry of Tourism to involve all corporate bodies in the public and private sector to maintain tourist sites as part of their corporate social responsibility.

- **Thirty Sixth Report on National Afforestation Programme**

(i) The Committee noted that though the National Afforestation Programme (NAP), launched in the year 2002 is aimed at increasing and improving the forest and tree cover through sustainable development of forest resources, the forest cover of the country has decreased by 367 sq. km. during the period 2009 to 2011. The Committee were at a lost to understand how having taken up a total area of 1.94 million hectares under NAP at a cost of Rs. 3,044 crore since inception in the year 2002, the outcome of afforestation has been negative.

(ii) The Committee was shocked that even after declaration of the National Forest Policy in the year 1988, the Committee had to witness the diversion of 1.2 million hectares of forest land and had opined that it reveals the abysmally poor implementation of the National Forest Policy, 1988 by the Ministry of Environment and Forests.

(iii) Pointing out that total ban on felling of trees on the pretext of environmental protection is neither desirable nor justified and taking note that unless trees which have outlived its life are felled, they may pose danger to life and property when they fall abruptly on their own, the Committee suggested formulation of appropriate guidelines for felling of aged trees in and around habitations/forests.

4

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS

Public Enterprises: Objectives and Origin

Public enterprises combine public ownership, business management and public accountability for public ends. These undertakings are incorporated and regulated by Acts of Parliament and are funded by public funds. Their main objectives are productivity, profitability and contribution to the well-being/benefit of the society at large; which objectives arise out of the economic, financial and social obligations of these enterprises / Undertakings.

The adoption of the socialistic pattern of society as a national objective necessitated the presence of all industries of basic and strategic importance or in the nature of public utility services in the public sector. The introduction of planned economic development in the country and the adoption of the Industrial Policy Resolutions by the Lok Sabha in 1948 and 1956 consequently led to a steady growth of various enterprises which are owned and managed by the Government of India.

The Undertakings in the Public Sector were set up as statutory corporations or Government Companies. The main advantage in setting them up as Corporations or Companies is that they have autonomy and flexibility to facilitate smooth and efficient working in a business-like manner and are free from red tape traditionally associated with Government Departments. The intention was to combine the advantages of an action and production-oriented enterprise with public responsibility.

At the beginning of the First Five-Year Plan in 1951, there were 5 Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) with a total investment of Rs.29 crore. Since then, there has been a steady increase, both in the number of enterprises as also in the total investment in CPSEs. As on 31 March 2013*, there were 277 CPSEs (excluding 7 Insurance Companies) with a total investment (equity plus long term loans) of Rs.8,50,599 crore from the public exchequer.

*Public Enterprises Survey 2012-13 Vol-I.

The CPSEs are engaged in large-scale production and supply of a wide range of products and services. These include basic goods like steel, cement and chemicals; capital goods like pressure vessels, boilers and drilling rigs; and intermediate goods like electricity and gas. They are also present in large service sectors such as telecommunications, trading, tourism, warehousing, etc.

Accountability to Legislature

The essential feature of control and supervision by the Parliament and by the Government is that public enterprises must function within the ambit of public interest. It is the Parliament's right, as the repository of all sovereign power and as the custodian of social good, to satisfy itself that public enterprises are managed efficiently and in public interest.

Origin of the Committee on Public Undertakings

The Committee on Public Undertakings is one of the most effective instruments through which parliamentary control over these Undertakings is exercised. This Committee was constituted on 1 May 1964 after persistent demand for a decade at various fora for creation of a specific machinery for ensuring full parliamentary control over the Public Undertakings. Prior to its constitution, the Public Accounts Committee examined the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General (C&AG) on Public Undertakings and the Estimates Committee examined in general, the individual Undertakings and different aspects of the functioning of all Undertakings.

Constitution of the Committee

The Committee on Public Undertakings is constituted every year and comprises members of both the Houses of Parliament. Initially consisting of 15 members, its strength increased to 22 in 1974-75, to cope with the increase in the number of Undertakings. Out of 22 members, 15 are elected by the Lok Sabha every year from amongst its members according to the principle of proportional representation by means of single

transferable vote and 7 members are elected by the Rajya Sabha in like manner and nominated by that House for being associated with the Committee. This system of election ensures the representation of almost all parties and groups in Parliament, more or less in proportion to their strength in the Houses.

The Chairperson of the Committee is appointed by the Speaker from amongst the members of the Committee belonging to the Lok Sabha. A Minister is not eligible to become a member. If a member after being elected to the Committee is appointed a Minister, such member ceases to be a member of the Committee from the date of such appointment.

Functions and Scope of the Committee

The main function of the Committee is to examine, in the context of the autonomy and efficiency of the Public Undertakings, whether the affairs of the Undertakings are being managed in accordance with sound business principles and prudent commercial practices. In terms of Rule 312 A of the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha*, read with the Fourth Schedule to the Rules, every Government Company whose annual report is placed before the Houses of Parliament comes within the purview of the Committee. Thus, all Government Companies incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 could be examined by the Committee. This is not the case with the Public Undertakings established by special Central Acts. Only those Undertakings set up under Central Acts which have been specified in Part I of the Fourth Schedule to the Rules can be examined by the Committee.

Some organizations like the Reserve Bank of India, the State Bank of India and its subsidiaries, nationalized banks and other public sector institutions like the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development, Port Trusts and Commodity Boards like Tea Board, Coffee Board, Silk Board, Spices Board, etc. are not included in Part I of the Schedule and are thus beyond the scope of examination by the Committee.

Working of the Committee

Soon after its constitution, the Committee selects some Public Undertakings/subjects to be taken up for examination during the year. The Committee may also select those Undertakings for examination whose comprehensive appraisals appear in the Audit Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General (C&AG) of India who assists the Committee in the examination of such Undertakings.

Besides, the Committee usually selects a few aspects of the working of various Public Undertakings for horizontal study to widen its scope of coverage. The Speaker may also refer to the Committee for examination, a matter of public importance with which a Public Undertaking is concerned.

As is now acknowledged, the Committee on Public Undertakings acts as the eyes and ears of the Parliament, as its reports cover a wide spectrum/ panorama of activities, revealing the manner in which the Public Undertakings are functioning and suggest the areas where there is scope for improvement. The reports also bring out the accountability of the administrative Ministries for efficient functioning of the Undertakings.

The Committee's assessment of the Undertakings includes financial performance, project implementation, cost of production, value addition, human resource development, lapses in management, etc., all of which are pivotal for the good health of the Undertakings.

The Committee's Reports suggest remedial measures to make certain that Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in which precious resources of the nation are invested, discharge the responsibility entrusted to them sincerely. The exposure of weaknesses and shortcomings of the PSUs has always been made in a constructive manner. Whenever necessary, the commendable job done by the PSUs has been duly appreciated by the Committee in its reports.

Shri GMC Balyogi, the then Speaker, Lok Sabha in his Inaugural Address at the Conference of Chairman of Committee on Public Undertakings of Parliament and State Legislatures on 15 December, 2000 at New Delhi while dwelling upon this aspect stated "The performance record of the Committee on Public Undertakings at the national level over its less than four decades of existence speaks volumes about its role and effectiveness in our parliamentary system. The basic objective of this Committee, is to ensure the accountability of the public undertakings to the Legislature and through it to the people at large. Overseeing the functioning of more than 200 public undertakings is not an easy task. Yet the Committee has been doing a commendable job all these years. Over the 36 years of its existence, the Committee has produced more than 500 Reports. These Reports have contributed substantially towards the effective management of our various public sector companies".

The Committee on Public Undertakings, which had completed 50 years (Golden Jubilee) on 1 May 2014, has had significant achievements to its credit. Since its inception in 1964, till the end of Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee has presented 585 Reports (293 Original and 292 Action Taken Reports).

Implementation of Recommendations

A system of monitoring implementation of its recommendations/observations has been put in place, in which the Committee calls for replies from the Government within six months of presentation of the Report showing action taken by the Government on its various recommendations therein. The Committee scrutinizes these replies and prepares the Action Taken Report which, after approval by the Committee, is presented to both the Houses of Parliament in the same manner as the original Report. In the Action Taken Report, the Committee may or may not accept the replies of the Government. In the latter cases, the Committee may reiterate its earlier recommendations and offer its remarks/observations as it deems fit. After an Action Taken Report is presented to the House, copies thereof are sent to the Ministries/Undertakings concerned for action. A statement of action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government on the Action Taken Report is consolidated and laid on the Table of both the Houses of Parliament.

Committee on Public Undertakings: The Fifteenth Lok Sabha (2009-2014) – An Overview

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee on Public Undertakings held 98 Sittings running into a total duration of approximately 144 hours. During the period, the Committee presented 33 Reports (15 Original Reports and 18 Action Taken Ones). The gist of some of the important Reports of the Committee is outlined below.

Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL)

In the light of growing threat of counterfeit currency in the country and consequent to corporatization of the erstwhile Indian Security Press, the Committee brought out its Sixth Report on the comprehensive examination of Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited. Reviewing the various aspects of the functioning of the Company, the Committee *inter alia* recommended optimization of manpower, finalization of Recruitment and Service Rules, restructuring of organizational setup, correct valuation of assets base, realization of outstanding dues, optimum utilisation of installed capacity, disposal of impaired machinery, inclusion of desired features in currency to deal with the counterfeit currency, etc. In the Report, the Committee further urged the Ministry of Finance to exempt the SPMCIL from payment of excise and custom duties and local taxes. The Committee also urged the Department of Public Enterprises to not to withdraw the Mini Ratna status of the Company.

As evident from the action taken replies furnished by the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), eight of the eighteen recommendations made by the Committee in their Sixth Report have been accepted by the Government. In pursuance of the recommendations of the Committee, the Department had taken measures for proper manpower planning, constitution of joint consultative machinery for the units of SPMCIL, discontinuation of the practice of outsourcing of the currency notes and implementation of programmes/ schemes under Corporate Social Responsibility. Four of the remaining ones had interim replies. In case of the remaining six, the Committee did not accept the replies of the Government and reiterated its recommendations.

Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)

In view of the rapid decline in net profits and drastic fall in market share of BSNL coupled with operational/ infrastructural bottlenecks being faced by the Company, the Committee decided to undertake comprehensive examination of BSNL. Taking note of dismal financial performance and turnaround strategy being undertaken by the Company, the Committee in their Twenty-fourth Report *inter-alia* recommended expeditious implementation of proposed turnaround measures, improvement in customer services, timebound process of procurement of equipment necessary for capacity expansion, implementation of Sam Pitroda Committee recommendations and rational deployment of manpower etc. In the Report, Committee also favoured the compensation to BSNL for providing services which are uneconomical but socially desirable.

Regarding implementation of the recommendations of the Committee, it is evident from the action taken replies submitted by the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (Department of Telecommunications) that 11 out of 15 recommendations made by the Committee have been accepted by the Government. In its Thirty-second Report, pertained to action taken by the Government on the Observations/ Recommendations contained in its Twenty-fourth Report, the Committee expressed concern over slow pace of progress in disbursal of the 2nd instalment of subsidy to the Company and reiterated expansion of broadband connected in rural areas and chose to reiterate three of its recommendations and also asked the Government to complete action on the remaining one recommendation expeditiously since the reply of the Government in its context was of interim nature.

Purchase of condensate at crude oil prices by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation(ONGC), based on the Para No. 13.5.1 of C&AG's Audit Report No. 9 of 2009-10

In their Twenty-eighth Report on purchase of condensate at crude oil prices by ONGC, which was based on the Para No. 13.5.1 of C&AG's Audit Report No. 9 of 2009-10, the Committee found lacunae in the Production Sharing Contract (PSC) signed between ONGC and JV Partners *viz.* lack of specific provision relating to the disposal of condensate and separate pricing mechanism for condensate. The Committee emphasized the need of extreme caution by ONGC in future while drafting such PSCs with JV partners. However, contrary to the Audit's view, the Committee were of the opinion that proviso to Article 1.18 was not relevant in this case as Tapti is a gas field, not an oil field. As for pricing mechanism of condensate, the Committee held that condensate produced from Tapti gas field as defined in Article 1.18 could not have been valued other that in accordance with Article 19.11 of PSC. While regretting the ONGC's decision to sign settlement agreement without the prior approval of the Government and Board of Directors, the Committee express the hope that such lapses would not be repeated in future.

The Report was presented to the Parliament on 5 February, 2014.

Food Corporation of India (FCI)

The Twenty-ninth Report of the Committee on Food Corporation of India (FCI) was mainly a comprehensive examination and partially based on C&AG Report No. 7 of 2013 (Performance Audit) on storage management and movement of food grains in Food Corporation of India. The Committee in its Report has *inter-alia* recommended for expansion of FCI's procurement activities, provision of punitive clauses in case of failure in timely payments to farmers for procurement, revision of the Minimum Buffer Norms without further delay, expansion of storage capacity of FCI, additional storage capacity for the North-Eastern States of India, constant surveillance and vigilance at all levels within the Corporation and immediate action to facilitate movement of food grains through the water ways in the riverine and coastal States. Apart from these, the Committee has also urged the Government to examine the desirability of reimbursing to FCI interest on borrowings, States taxes and levies, etc. under a separate head, different from the head of food subsidy so that a realistic figure of food subsidy is available for information of Parliament and the public.

The Report was presented to Parliament on 10 February, 2014.

Other Reports

Other significant Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings include the Fourth Report on National Aviation Company of India Limited, the Tenth Report on Power Grid Corporation of India Limited, the Twenty-third Report on Export of Gold Jewellery by Metal Scrap Trading Corporation (MSTC) Limited, and the Twenty-sixth Report on Bharat Electronics Limited.

Impact of the Committee

The impact of the Committee is evident from the fact that most of its recommendations are accepted by the Government/Undertakings. The Committee on Public Undertakings has succeeded not merely in its primary task of facilitating effective parliamentary control on the functioning of public enterprises, but has also proved to be an effective tool for suggesting improvements for attaining better performance in their respective fields. The Committee's Reports provide at one convenient point the results of critical and constructive examination of the public enterprises in respect of administration and management. The Committee on Public Undertakings also provides an important forum where the Legislature, the Executive and the management of PSUs meet one another face-to-face and moved by a common purpose, endeavour to analyze the problems of public enterprises and find out acceptable solutions for better planning and management of these enterprises.

In short, the Committee on Public Undertakings has performed very useful functions in giving substance to the concept of accountability of the Public Undertakings to Parliament. It is for this reason that this Committee is regarded as one of the most important and influential Parliamentary Committees.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON WATER RESOURCES*

Origin and Scope of Departmentally Related Standing Committees (DRSCs)

With the unprecedented proliferation in Governmental activities over the years, Parliament had been finding itself somewhat handicapped in exercising fully its pivotal role of ensuring executive and financial accountability. Enormous budgetary allocations of various Ministries/Departments were also being passed by Parliament without sufficient debate for want of time.

In 1978, the Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India had deliberated on this issue. The matter was also brought into sharp focus during the Third Regional Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminar held from 21 to 25 January 1984 in New Delhi. The matter was further debated in the Presiding Officers Conference held from 29 to 30 October 1984 in Calcutta. Thereafter, the Rules Committee of the Lok Sabha considered a proposal for having 9 *ad hoc* Committees for pre-voting scrutiny of the Demands for Grants. However, no final decision could be reached.

Even while the proposal to set up the Budget Committees awaited finalisation, another proposal of a far-reaching nature designed to strengthen the Committee System and to secure executive accountability in a far more effective way was placed before the Rules Committee in the Eighth Lok Sabha. The Rules Committee, at their sittings held on 30 March and 9 May 1989 considered and approved the proposals to set up three Subject Committees – one each on Agriculture, Science and Technology, and Environment and Forests. Necessary recommendations to this effect were made by the Rules Committee in their Second and Fourth Reports laid on the Table of the House on 2 May and 25 July 1989, respectively. The Rules relating to these Committees were finally approved by the House and the Committees were constituted for the first time with effect from 18 August 1989.

These Subject Committees were, *inter alia*, to examine the activities of the concerned Ministries/ Departments and to report as to what economies, improvements in organisation, efficiency or administrative reforms consistent with the policy approved by Parliament might be effected. Apart from other functions, these Committees were to examine the Annual Reports and Plan Projects/activities of the concerned Ministries/ Departments.

After observing the functioning of the three Subject Committees for some time, in 1992, during the Tenth Lok Sabha, the matter relating to Departmentally Related Parliamentary Standing Committees was again considered by the General Purposes Committee and the Rules Committee and they felt that a full fledged system of Departmentally Related Standing Committees (DRSCs) be created covering under their jurisdiction all the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India.

Subsequently, the whole matter was considered afresh during February and March 1993 by the General Purposes Committee and the Rules Committees of both the Houses of Parliament together. As a result of these discussions, a broad consensus was arrived at that Standing Committees be set up to consider the Demands for Grants, Bills and national basic long term policy documents presented to the Houses and referred to them by the Chairperson of the Rajya Sabha/Speaker, Lok Sabha and the annual reports of the related Ministries/Departments.

The Reports of the Rules Committees of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha adopted by both Houses on 29 March 1993, paved the way for the setting up of the Departmentally Related Standing Committees covering under their jurisdiction all the Ministries/ Departments of the Union Government. With the setting up of these Committees, the three Subject Committees, constituted in August 1989, ceased to exist.

Under the new system, 17 Standing Committees were constituted w.e.f. 8 April 1993, covering all Central Government Ministries/Departments. Out of these 17 DRSCs, 11 were under Lok Sabha and 6 under

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Rajya Sabha. The Ministry of Water Resources was under the jurisdiction of Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The Standing Committee on Water Resources was first constituted in July 2004 when the system of Departmentally Related Standing Committees (DRSCs) was restructured increasing the number of DRSCs from 17 to 24. The jurisdiction of the Standing Committee on Water Resources covers the Ministry of Water Resources. The Committee works under the directions of Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha.

Functions

The functions of each of the DRSCs are as follows:—

(a) to consider the Demands for Grants of the concerned Ministries/Departments and make a report on the same to the Houses. The report shall not suggest anything of the nature of cut motions;

(b) to examine such bills pertaining to the concerned Ministries/Departments as are referred to the Committee by the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha or the Speaker, Lok Sabha as the case may be, and make reports thereon;

(c) to consider annual reports of Ministries/ Departments and make reports thereon; and

(d) to consider national basic long term policy documents presented to the Houses, if referred to the Committee by the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha or the Speaker, Lok Sabha as the case may be, and make reports thereon.

The DRSCs shall not consider the matters of day to day administration of the concerned Ministries/ Departments. These Committees shall not generally consider the matters which are considered by the other Parliamentary Committees.

Number of Members

As in case of other DRSCs, the Standing Committee on Water Resources is constituted every year under Rule 331C of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha. The Committee consists of 31 Members – 21 from Lok Sabha and 10 from Rajya Sabha. The Chairperson of the Committee is appointed by the Speaker, Lok Sabha from amongst the Members of the Committee. The term of office of the Committee is one year for the date of its constitution.

Selection of Subjects

After the constitution of the Committee every year, the Standing Committee on Water Resources holds its first sitting for selection of subjects for examination and report during its tenure of one year. The subjects are selected after making consideration of the suggestions of the Chairperson and other Members of the Committee which they consider to be of public importance or significance. Some of the subjects selected by the Committee during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha for examination and report include Working of Brahmaputra Board; Review of Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme; Review of Central Soil and Materials Research Station; Augmentation of Depleted Ground Water Level, Sustainable Development, Conservation, Management, Use of Ground Water and Prevention of Water Pollution; Repair, Renovation and Restoration of Water Bodies; Review of Central Ground Water Board; Review of Central Water Commission; Management of Floods and Land Erosion in the Country; Indigenous and Modern Forms of Water Conservation—Techniques and Practices; Dams and Barrages—their present status, safety and security; and Review of Subordinate Offices/Attached Offices/Authorities under the Ministry of Water Resources.

Reports of the Committee

After selection of the subjects, the representatives of the Ministry concerned with the subjects are called to give briefing/oral evidence before the Committee. The Ministry or the Department or the Undertaking shall be represented by the Secretary or the Head of the Department or the Undertaking. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 24 sittings (for briefing/evidence) were held by the Committee in connection with examination of the subjects selected by the Committee. Based on the information received from the Ministry, the draft report of the Committee is made which is divided into chapters and sections. There are two parts of the report. One part of the report deals with narrative portion which contains facts and information received by the Committee while another part consists of the observations/ recommendations of the Committee. After the draft report receives the approval of the Chairperson, it is placed before the Committee for their consideration. Side by side, copy of the draft report containing the narration part is forwarded to the Ministry of Water Resources for making factual verifications to ensure that the information contained in the report is authentic. After the draft report is adopted by the Committee, it is presented to both the Houses of the Parliament in the name of the Chairperson after duly carrying out the factual changes made by the Ministry and incorporating the amendments/modifications (if any) as suggested by the Members of the Committee. A press release highlighting major observations/recommendations contained in the report is also issued by the Standing Committee on Water Resources Branch.

Since the constitution of the Standing Committee on Water Resources in 2004, 6 Reports dealing with various subjects have been presented by the Committee. These consist of the following:—

(i) Eleventh Report on "Inter-Linking of Rivers'' (14th Lok Sabha);

(ii) Fourth Report on "Working of Brahmaputra Board" (15th Lok Sabha)";

(iii) Tenth Report on "Augmentation of Depleted Ground Water Level, Sustainable Development, Conservation, Management, Use of Ground Water and Prevention of Water Pollution" (15th Lok Sabha);

(iv) Eleventh Report on "Review of Central Soil and Materials Research Station'' (15th Lok Sabha);

(v) Sixteenth Report on "Repair, Renovation and Restoration of Water Bodies", (15th Lok Sabha); and

(vi) Twenty First Report on "Review of Ganga Flood Control Commission.'' (15th Lok Sabha).

In addition to above subject reports, the Seventh Report on "The Dam Safety Bill, 2010" was also presented by the Committee during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. Some of the important Reports presented by the Committee during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are given below:—

Seventh Report on The Dam Safety Bill, 2010

(i) The Committee in their Seventh Report on the Dam Safety Bill, 2010, noted that the Bill contained provision for periodical inspection of dams and emergency action plan. However, in case of any dam failure or for not following the directions provided in the Bill, there was no provision for imposition of penalty on the owner or on the person(s) responsible for dam safety. As the safety of dams is of paramount concern, the Committee recommended that the provision to impose penalty for dam failure and causing disaster in the downstream/upstream of dam be suitably incorporated in the Bill.

(ii) The Committee also noted that there was no provision in the Bill to compensate the affected people in case of any disaster taking place due to the failure of the dam. They therefore, desired that an adequate provision be made in the Bill for compensation to the affected people.

(iii) The Committee noted that there was no mention in the Bill regarding constitution of an independent regulatory authority to keep an overview of the implementation of the Dam safety measures as contemplated. They therefore, desired creation of such an authority to monitor and achieve the intended objectives behind the Bill.

(iv) The Committee noticed that there was no mention of standards or practices to be followed in designing or evaluating the safety of the dams in the Bill. The Committee were apprehensive that in the absence of prescribed standards, different agencies/State Governments would adopt/follow different standards. The Committee recommended for the inclusion of a new Clause making it mandatory for use of the standard codes and guidelines fixed by the Bureau of Indian Standards and furnishing of reasons, if any departure is made in the design or dam safety evaluation.

(v) The Committee urged the Ministry to reconsider the concern of experts as to the need for establishment of seismological stations in the vicinity of all the specified dams falling in Zone III and at all dams above 30 m. height.

Tenth Report on Augmentation of Depleted Ground Water Level, Sustainable Development, Conservation, Management, Use of Ground Water and Prevention of Water Pollution

(i) In this Report it is noted that the exploitation of water being a State subject under the constitutional set-up, the Committee called upon the Ministry to induce all the States to adopt an appropriate and uniform regulatory mechanism to curb wasteful, excessive withdrawal of ground water by water-users such as farmers, industries, etc.

(ii) The Committee noted that there were 1,79,999 habitations in the country having water problems associated with fluoride, arsenic, iron, salinity and nitrate. Fluoride was present in 33,363, arsenic in 9,504, iron in 11,872, salinity in 32,689 and nitrate in 2,571 habitations of the country. This was over and above the hazard posed by *anthropogenic/ man-made contaminants* such as manganese, lead, chromium, cadmium, etc., in ground water in some parts of the country, resulting from mining activities or seepage from untreated industrial wastes. Further, the growing construction of septic tanks for want of sewer lines in the countryside has become another possible source of sub-soil contamination. The Committee were shocked to learn that some industries in the name of aquifer

recharge, made structures for aquifer recharge, but actually ended up discharging the polluted water to the aquifer below the ground. The Committee urged the Government to bring out a comprehensive national plan after due consultation with the concerned Ministries for containing the alarming trend of ground water contamination in the country so as to ensure supply of safe drinking water for the present as well as future generation.

(iii) The Committee noted that a major factor causing pollution to the rivers in India was the discharge of untreated sewage in the rivers. However, reportedly the capacity to generate sewage treatment in the country was only 30 per cent and the remainder 70 per cent sewage was discharged untreated. The Committee hoped that the efforts for concretizing 'Water Quality Assessment Authority' would bear fruits and results would become visible on the water quality monitoring front in the near future.

(iv) The Committee observed that some models of artificial recharge and ground water management have been successfully employed outside India *viz.* enactment of Ground Water Code (1980) in Arizona (USA) and obligatory registration of all wells, introduction of well permits, national well inventory, well metering, improving irrigation techniques, public awareness campaigns for water conservation, etc., on *demand side* and large recharge dams on the *supply side* in Oman. The Committee have desired the Government to explore the viability of replicating such models of artificial recharge/ ground water management in India.

(v) The Committee noted that the Ministry of Environment and Forests was constituting National Environment Protection Authority in which they were planning to insert a provision for economic penalty against polluters of environment including rivers/water bodies. Given the fact that the present criminal prosecution system for environmental offenders in the country has not been a success and that polluters of rivers/water bodies have been shielded behind the protection cover of the lengthy and time consuming judicial process, the Committee recommended the Government to expedite the formation of National Environment Protection Authority which would hopefully impose penalty on offending industrialists, polluters etc.

Sixteenth Report on Repair, Renovation and Restoration of Water Bodies

(i) In this Sixteenth Report, the Committee observed that water is a prime natural resource, a basic human need and a precious national asset. The Committee were of the considered view that there was an imperative need to ensure proper, efficient and sustainable management and development of water bodies all over the country through sustained inputs of efforts, funds and programme. In order to put in place a comprehensive legislative framework, the Committee reiterated the need for inclusion of the subject 'water' in the Concurrent List.

(ii) The Committee strongly recommended for early completion of the exercise of taking census of all water bodies and also allotment of unique code to them.

(iii) The Committee noted with concern that as per the Third Census of Minor Irrigation (2005), there were 5.50 lakh water bodies in the country, out of which 2.39 lakhs were public water bodies and remaining 3.17 lakhs were private water bodies. The Committee were informed that the Scheme for Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of water bodies did not cover 3.17 lakhs water bodies spread across the country. The Committee deplored exclusion of private water bodies from the RRR Scheme of the Government, which dented a gaping loop-hole in the otherwise laudable scheme, particularly as it was a necessity to preserve the water bodies. Noting that the Ministry's proposal was to cover public water bodies as the first priority, the Committee urged the Government to explore the viability of extending State funding to private water bodies during the Twelfth Five Year Plan, or to at least explore the possibility of inducing States/UTs to take up with owners of such private water bodies and to incentivize them to take measures to revive, repair, renovate and develop water bodies by undertaking works such as desilting, repairing sluice work, pitching, repair of canals attached to the water bodies, etc.

(iv) The Committee noted with displeasure that despite the efforts being made on the monitoring front by the Ministry and the State Governments, little tangible progress had been made given the number of Schemes sanctioned. Out of a total number of 3341 water bodies under RRR Scheme in the country, only 1481 had been shown to be completed by 18 September 2012 as per the information received from the Central Ground Water Board/State Governments. The Committee, therefore, desired the Ministry to vigorously pursue with the States for eliciting the active participation of Standing Committee of Panchayats to actively implement RRR Scheme in all the States/UTs where it was being implemented.

(v) The Committee noted that the Government had made a plan for convergence of efforts made under other programmes such as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA), Watershed Development Programme and scheme of Rural Drinking Water Supply. The Committee, therefore, recommended that the Ministry should identify specific activities/works under MNREGA which could be dovetailed with the ongoing Scheme of RRR on water bodies in order to avoid duplication of works, fund wastage and also achieve the long-term objective of rejuvenation and revitalisation of water bodies all over the country.

Twenty-first Report on Review of Ganga Flood Control Commission

(i) The Committee further noted that only 63.28 Billion Cubic Metre (BCM) of the 250.00 BCM of utilizable surface water of the Ganga basin was being utilized. The remaining water going waste into the sea/neighboring country could be arrested with the creation of sufficient storages in upper catchment. Due to topographical constraints (*i.e.* flat terrain), building storages in the Gangetic plain areas was not feasible. A continuous dialogue was being maintained by the Government of India with Nepal for building 05 storage projects in that country. The Committee urged the Ministry to make sustained all-out efforts for accelerating the pace of implementation of the storage creation in Nepal.

(ii) The Committee noted that 14 links under Himalayan component of Inter Linking of Rivers (ILRs) scheme had been identified which would be able to harness the waters of the Ganga and its tributaries before going into the sea/neighbouring country and also serve as effective mechanisms for flood moderation/ cushioning in the Ganga basin States. The Indian Government was in dialogue with Nepal and Bhutan for expediting field works for completion of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) of the links involving these countries. The Committee recommended that the implementation of ILRs and storage projects in Nepal and Bhutan be taken up with topmost urgency and seriousness by the Ministry by working out implementable time-schedule for their completion.

(iii) Devastating flood is a recurring feature in the 11 Ganga basin States. Out of 49.815 million hectare flood affected area in the country, 23.728 million hectare is in the Ganga basin States. Between 2000 to 2012, 200.312 million population were affected in these States by floods and a total damage of crops, houses and public utilities amounting to Rs.36,744.142 crore was caused. The Committee noted with alarm that a study made by the Indian Network of Climate Change Assessment (INCCA), of the Ministry of Environment and Forests on the impact of climate change on Water Resources in four regions of the country including the Himalayan region indicated that the flooding could vary from 10 percent to over 30 percent of the existing magnitudes in most of the regions by 2030. Noting that the National Water Policy, 2012 underlines the need for factoring the input of climate change into all projects and that the Ministry has constituted a Committee to review the guidelines for the preparation of Detailed Project Reports incorporating the aspect of climate change, the Committee recommended that the process of reviewing the guidelines for DPRs be completed expeditiously and corrective measures taken urgently to ward off or minimise the adverse impact of climate change on the river basin systems.

(iv) The Committee noted that embankments of the length of 17,826 kms. have been constructed in the Ganga basin States so far but the details of the cost involved in the construction of embankments have not been compiled by the Ministry. Noting that the demand for providing flood embankment has been on the increase and that the total area protected from flood is only 9.40 million hectares (mha.) out of the total area of 20.81 mha. liable to floods in the Ganga basin States, the Committee urged the Ministry to encourage the concerned States to construct more embankments in the Ganga basin States. The Committee also desired that the States be encouraged for taking up programmes for proper maintenance of embankments through aforestation and also periodic inspection of embankments by the concerned departments/agencies.

(v) The Committee noted that the Central Water Commission issues flood forecasts at 87 stations in Ganga basin States which are disseminated to various users agencies *viz*. State Revenue/Civil authorities, Water Resources/Irrigation/Flood Control/Disaster Management authorities of respective State Governments and Road and Rail traffic authorities. Noting that the National Water Policy, 2012 has underlined that flood forecasting is very important for flood preparedness and, therefore, it should be expanded extensively across the country, the Committee recommended that the present flood forecasting infrastructure

should be modernized using real time data acquisition system and linked to forecasting models. They also desired early completion of proposals made by the Ministry during the Twelfth Five Year Plan for modernization and expansion of its flood forecasting network to include additional reservoirs under inflow forecasting network and preparation of Digital Elevation Maps (DEMs) in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal.

(vi) Noting that a disastrous flood visited Uttarakhand in 2013 severely affecting 1,08,653 persons, with the loss of lives of 580 people, 4,726 houses fully damaged, and 9,470 cattle lost, the Committee desired that the Ministry should step up its coordination with associated organisations/ departments like Central Water Commission, India Meteorological Department, National Institute of Hydrology, National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC), etc., for undertaking appropriate research into such climatic phenomenon as cloud bursts, rainfall pattern, snow melt pattern, etc., in the Himalayas so that the results may be gainfully utilised for making better/more accurate weather predictions thereby helping the concerned departments/organisations to make advance preparations for natural catastrophe as occurred in Uttarakhand.

(vii) The Committee noted that as of October 2013, 97 Schemes had been taken up, out of which 52 were completed, 04 schemes dropped/withdrawn and 41 Schemes were still under progress since 2007-08. Further, giving reasons for poor performance of Flood Management Programme (FMP) in the Ganga basin, the Ministry attributed the same to availability of limited working season, disputes in land acquisition and non-submission of Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by the States in time. The Committee recommended that before giving clearance to schemes for Flood Management Programme sent by the Ganga basin States, the Ministry should ensure that necessary ground works *viz.* land acquisition, submission of utilization certificates, infrastructural developments, Rehabilitation and Resettlement issues, etc., are sorted out by the concerned State Governments before undertaking execution of the schemes.

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COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES*

Before the amendment of Article 338 of the Constitution, there was a provision to designate a Special Officer as the Commissioner for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes to investigate and monitor all matters relating to the safeguards provided for them and report to the President upon the working of those safeguards. The Reports of the Commissioner used to be laid before each House of Parliament along with a memorandum explaining the action taken or proposed to be taken on the recommendations relating to the Union and the reasons for the non-acceptance, if any, of such recommendations. However, in August 1967, during the discussion on the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Reports of the Commissioner for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in the Lok Sabha, suggestions were made by several members that a Standing Parliamentary Committee be set up with full investigating powers to *inter alia* see that the safeguards provided for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and recommendations made in the reports of the Commissioner are implemented. The suggestion was accepted by the Government and to achieve the above objective, a Parliamentary Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (SCTC) was constituted in August 1968. The constitution and functions of the Committee are governed by Rules 331A and 331B of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha.** It may, however, be mentioned here that the Office of Commissioner for SCs and STs alone was not enough to monitor the implementation of Constitutional safeguards. Accordingly, the Government decided to set up a multi-member Commission through an administrative decision *vide* the Ministry of Home Resolution No.13013/9/77-SCT(1) dated 21 July 1978. This is how the first Commission for SCs and STs came into being in August 1978. Later in 1992, the Government decided to put in place a statutory multi-member National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to replace the Office of Commissioner for Scheduled Tribes and the Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes by amending Article 338 *vide* the Constitution (Sixty-fifth Amendment) Act, 1990 which came into force from 12 March 1992. Article 338 had further been amended by the Constitution (Eighty-Ninth Amendment) Act, 2003 whereby the erstwhile National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes had been bifurcated into two separate Commissions, *viz*. the National Commission for the Scheduled Castes and National Commission for the Scheduled Tribes respectively by insertion of a new Article 338(A). The bifurcation came into effect from 1 December 2004.

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Constitution of the Committee

The Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes consists of 30 Members—20 from the Lok Sabha and 10 from the Rajya Sabha are elected from amongst their members in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of a single transferable vote. The Chairperson of the Committee is appointed by the Speaker from amongst the members of the Committee. A Minister is not eligible for election to the Committee and, if a member after being elected to the Committee is appointed a Minister, such member shall cease to be a member of the Committee from the date of such appointment. The term of the Committee does not exceed one year and ends on 30 April of the year.

As soon as a new Lok Sabha is constituted, a motion for holding election for constituting the Committee is moved by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs in the Lok Sabha normally during its first or second session for the first terms of the Committee. For subsequent terms of the Committee, the motion is moved by the outgoing Chairperson of the Committee.

Functions of the Committee

The important functions of the Committee, as per Rule 331A of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha,** *inter alia* are to consider the reports submitted by the National Commission for the Scheduled Castes and the National Commission for the

Scheduled Tribes under Articles 338(5)(d) and 338A(5)(d), respectively, of the Constitution and to report as to the measures that should be taken by the Union Government in respect of matters within the purview of the Union Government, including the Administrations of the Union Territories, to report on the action taken by the Union Government and the Administration of the Union Territories on the measures proposed by the Committee, to examine the measures taken by the Union Government to secure due representation of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in services and posts under its control (including appointments in the Public Sector Undertakings, Nationalized Banks, Statutory and Semi-Government Bodies and in the Union Territories) having regard to the provisions of article 335, to report on the working of the welfare programmes for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Union Territories and to examine such other matters as may seem fit to the Committee or are specifically referred to it by the House or the Speaker.

The Committee selects various subjects pertaining to the welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for an in-depth examination. In selecting the subjects, the Committee gives due importance to the issues having a bearing on the socio-economic conditions of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee took up subjects for examination such as representation of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in services of Government like the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), Ordnance Factory Board (OFB), South Eastern Railway, South Western Railway, Eastern Railway, Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC), Food Corporation of India (FCI), Air India (NACIL), National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd. (NTPC); Nationalized banks like the State Bank of India, Punjab and Sind Bank and United Bank of India; credit facilities provided to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes by the Nationalized banks; reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in allotment of Gas and Petrol Agencies; termination of 10 SC ex-teachers appointed by Navyug Schools Educational Society of New Delhi Municipal Council on contract basis during Special Recruitment Drives 2005 and 2007; examination of programmes for the development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups; working of Scheduled Castes Sub Plan; working of Tribal Sub Plan; working of Sixth Schedule Areas in North East States; review of representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the senior positions in Government of India; prevention of untouchability in Mid Day Meal Scheme in Government run schools; Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) with particular reference to welfare of SCs and STs; implementation of schemes for Beedi Workers with particular reference to SCs and STs; issues relating to educational development of SCs and STs; recruitment process in tribal areas by the armed forces; review of Implementation of "The Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989" including atrocities committed against tribals in violation of "The Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006"; examination of First Annual Report (2004-05) of National Commission for Scheduled Castes presented under Article 338 (5)(d) of the Constitution of India; examination of First Annual Report (2004-05 & 2005-06) of National Commission for Scheduled Tribes presented under Article 338A (5)(d) of the Constitution of India; reservation policy in schools including Kendriya Vidyalayas, Navodaya Schools, Sainik Schools, Military Schools and Institution of higher education including universities, engineering colleges, medical colleges, etc; development of SCs and STs under Corporate Social Responsibility.

The Committee also took special care to elicit information or clarifications from the Government of India as to the action taken on the recommendations made by the Committee in their Reports.

During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee held 80 sittings which lasted 111 hours 35 minutes.

Highlights of some Reports

The Committee presented 42 Reports (19 Original, 16 Action Taken Reports and 7 Study Tour Reports) on various subjects during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha as per details given in the Statement. Some of the important matters dealt with in the reports are mentioned below:—

- The Committee in their First Report (2009-10), on the subject "Reservation for and employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC)", had recommended that the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas should sponsor the names of suitable SC/ST candidates for appointment as Government Directors to the Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas. The Committee also noted with concern that details of the Special Recruitment Drive were not provided to them.

  In their Action Taken Notes, with regard to the recommendation of the Committee for sponsoring of SC/ST candidates for appointment to the Board, the Ministry stated that ONGC forwarded the names of all senior eligible executives taking

into consideration their seniority. It was also stated that ONGC had made extensive efforts to fill up SC/ST posts by undertaking Special Recruitment Drive, Direct Recruitment, as well as by way of Walk in Interviews and Campus Recruitment from 2002 to 2010.

- The Committee while examining the subject, "Reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in allotment of Gas and Petrol Agencies", in their fourth Report (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas suggested a number of measures to check the problem of *'benami* operation' by others in the name of SCs/STs allottees. The Committee had recommended that, in order to check the growth of *benami* operations, the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) should make it mandatory for all petrol pumps and gas agencies to display the names of all proprietors along with their photographs. It was further recommended that a guideline in this regard should be issued to all Retail Outlets(RO) dealers/LPG distributors for compliance and in case they fail to comply, stringent action against those proprietors should be taken.

In their Action Taken Notes, the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas informed that the Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG) are equally applicable to all the dealerships/distributorships irrespective of the categories of allotment. Further, it was stated that the OMCs would issue guidelines to make it mandatory for all RO dealerships and LPG distributorships to display the name and photograph of the proprietor on the premises.

- The Committee in their Eighth Report (2010-11) on the subject "Reservation for and employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Punjab and Sind Bank and credit facilities provided by the Bank to them" had noted that backlog of 46 ST vacancies in the officer cadre could not be filled up due to non-availability of suitable candidates.

  In their Action Taken Notes, the Ministry of Finance, Department of Financial Services, stated that in the year 2006, the Bank had initiated Special Recruitment Drive for filling up of backlog of 86 ST vacancies in officer cadre pertaining to the period *w.e.f.* 2 July 1997 to 1 July 2004 and in the Special Drive, 40 vacancies of STs were filled and 46 ST vacancies were remained unfilled due to non availability of suitable candidates. It was further stated that the bank had included this backlog of 46 ST vacancies in the ongoing Direct Recruitment process which was in the final stage of completion and a second attempt had been initiated by the Bank to fill these backlog vacancies along with the fresh vacancies in Direct Recruitment. It was expected that all backlog vacancies would be filled up by 31 March 2011.

  In the same Report, having noted that the Punjab and Sind Bank did not have a Special Cell for monitoring the flow of credit to SC/ST beneficiaries, the Committee had therefore recommended that the Punjab and Sind Bank should set up a Special Cell to monitor flow of credit to SC/ST beneficiaries at the earliest so that it might fulfil the job entrusted to it as per the instruction issued by the RBI. The Committee also urged the RBI to ensure that all the Public Sector Banks including the Punjab & Sind Bank follow the instruction issued by them in letter and spirit so that the object of monitoring priority sector lending to weaker sections especially SC/ST beneficiaries may be met effectively.

  The Ministry of Finance, Department of Financial Services, in their Action Taken Notes, stated that the Bank has set up SC/ST Cell at Head Office Priority Sector Advances Department to monitor the flow of credit to SC/ST beneficiaries. It was further stated that the SC/ST Cell ensures the implementation of RBI guidelines and regular collection of relevant information/data from Branches and submission to RBI after consolidation.

- The Committee in their Tenth Report (2010-11), on the subject "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL)", pertaining to the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises (Department of Heavy Industry), had noted that not a single ST employee was sent for training abroad during the years 2006 and 2007. The Committee, therefore, urged the Management to ensure that the nomination of candidates for training abroad from the recommendation stage by the Head of the concerned unit should be done in a very transparent and fair manner, so that eligible SC and ST candidates get equal opportunity for getting nominated to these trainings.

  In their Action Taken Notes, the Committee were informed that Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited

assured the Committee that the Company is committed to provide platforms for its SC/ST employees for their career growth, including concerted efforts in providing equal opportunity to them for getting nominated to foreign trainings in a fair manner.

- The Committee in their Twenty Second Report, on the subject "Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP)" (2012-13), pertaining to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and the Planning Commission, had noted that the implementation of SCSP was not being done uniformly in all States/UTs and that different States had adopted different mechanisms without exploring an effective mechanism which can ensure quantification of funds for SCSP, monitoring of expenditure, avert diversion of funds to unintended ventures etc. The Committee further noted that the State Governments exercised their quantification as 'Divisible' and 'Non-Divisible' components and that the effective quantification was made only from the 'Divisible' component scheme-wise. As a result of this, the flow of funds to SCSP from the total State Plan became much lesser than what should have been as per the percentage of the population of SCs and STs to the total population of the State.

  The Committee recommended that the programmes formulated for SCs and STs should be implemented in right earnest by the Ministries concerned in order to provide ample opportunities to the SCs and STs for creating a more balanced and equitable society for them. The Committee further suggested that the reimbursement of fee for higher education in self-financed private institutions should also be met from SCSP fund with a view to accelerate the educational development of SC and ST students. The Committee also recommended that the amount of pre-matric scholarships should be increased, periodically in the light of rise in the cost of living and the ceiling limit of income of parents of SC or ST students should be increased to Rs.10 lakhs so that no SC or ST student, who is in need of finance for education, is left out due to lack of financial assistance.

- The Committee while examining the subject "Reservation for and employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)" in their Twenty Fourth Report (2012-13), pertaining to the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), noted that separate SC/ST cells for addressing the grievances of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe officials were not existing in various regional offices of CBDT and thus recommended for them to be made operative in various directorates/regions. The Committee also staged serious concerns regarding the fact that the Liaison Officer apart from carrying out work related to SCs/STs have been assigned various other works. The Committee also noted that no separate complaint register was maintained to record complaints/grievances of SCs/STs at various Directorates. The Committee was dismayed at the lackadaisical approach towards false caste certificate cases. The Committee strongly recommended compulsory verification of caste certificates at the time of joining and also directed CBDT that it should instruct its Income tax Commissioners in various directorates to personally involve themselves in expeditious disposal of false caste certificate cases and pursue District Collectors/ Competent Authority in this regard.

  In their Action Taken Note, it was informed that all the 18 Chief Commissioner of Income Tax (Cadre Controlling Authority) [CCsIT (CCA)] and 6 Directorates under the functional control of CBDT have confirmed creation of SC/ST cells which were operational under the control of the Liaison Officer. It was also informed that these Liaison officers were imparted training and were not overburdened with work. The Committee were further informed that all the CCsIT (CCA) and Directorates of Income Tax Department were directed to maintain a separate register in SC/ST Cell for registering complaints/grievances of SC/ST employees for redressal. In compliance with the recommendation of Committee to tackle the menace of false caste certificate and related pending litigation matters, it was informed that all the CCsIT (CCA) had been instructed to personally involve themselves in disposal of such cases and pursue Competent Authority.

- The Committee in their Twenty Sixth Report (2012-13), on the subject "Review of representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the senior positions of Government of India", pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training), recommended that reservation be made mandatory in the process of empanelment to the post of Joint Secretary/Additional Secretary and Secretary. The Committee made serious note of the fact that the data pertaining to

Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes was not maintained centrally. The Committee also noted that there was no reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in scientific and technical posts and thus recommended the same. The Committee were dismayed to note that as per policy of the Government there was no reservation for Board level posts in Public Sector Enterprises. The Committee, therefore, urged the Government to ensure adequate representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in policy/decision making bodies. Action Taken Notes received from the Ministry are under examination of the Committee.

- The Committee in their Twenty Seventh Report, pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment on the subject "Implementation of schemes for Beedi Workers with particular reference to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes" (2012-13), had noted that most of the beedi workers were illiterate, did not have any assets, had precarious sanitation condition, were inflicted with occupational illness like TB and skin diseases and lacked awareness of laws that protect them thus rendering them vulnerable to exploitation.

  The Committee strongly felt that beedi workers needed specialized, accessible, affordable and regular medicare. The Committee recommended that some alternative arrangements be made urgently for extending specialized medical treatment. The Committee also recommended to ply mobile vans equipped with specialized doctors, nurses, medicines, etc. to facilitate the beedi workers residing in the remote areas where hospitals and dispensaries are not available. The Committee observed that most of the beedi workers were poor, SC/ST and under BPL category. They were unable to spend money on the medical care. The Committee thus recommended that all beedi workers including SCs and STs working under contractors or home base beedi workers should be brought under ESI Corporation.

- The Committee while examining the subject "Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) with particular reference to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes" (2013-14) in their Twenty Eighth Report, pertaining to the Ministry of Rural Development, had recommended that the Centre must prepare village-wise/Panchayat-wise/District-wise list of target beneficiaries and those who were SCs/STs should be given priority in employment under NREGA. The Committee also recommended that NREGA should be amended to guarantee at least 150 days of employment per household of SCs/STs in a financial year instead of the existing provision of 100 days. The Committee strongly felt that on the lines of NREGA, the Government should also bring a piece of legislation to guarantee employment to urban poor, particularly SCs/STs.

- With regard to representation of SC/ST members on the Board of Directors of Public Sector Undertakings/Organizations and Nationalized banks etc., the Committee in their numerous reports pertaining to BHEL, FCI, National Aviation Company of India Limited (NACIL), ONGC, NTPC, CBDT, OFB, Punjab and Sind Bank, United Bank of India etc. had strongly recommended that the Government should bring a suitable legislation to enable SCs/STs to be mandatory members in the Board of Directors in Government PSUs, Banks and other organizations under the Government. During the evidence, the Secretary, Ministry of Finance, assured the Committee to workout effectively on the recommendations of the Committee in this regard.

Study Tour

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee undertook 8 Tours for on-the-spot study of various Central Public Undertakings/Nationalised Banks, other bodies in connection with the representation of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in services and provision of credit facilities to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes by the Nationalised Banks. Specific schemes formulated for the socio-economic development of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes by the Union Government were also discussed during the course of the Study Tours with the State Government officials in the States/UTs of Maharashtra, West Bengal, Tripura, Assam, Andhra Pradesh, Daman & Diu, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan. Various socio-economic measures taken/proposed to be taken by the aforesaid State Governments/Union Territory Administrations were also discussed during the course of the on-the-spot visits by the Committee. The Committee laid on the Tables of both the Houses of Parliament, 5 Reports on Study Tours undertaken by them in different parts of the country for understanding the problems of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

In wake of the increasing atrocities against the members of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes community, the Committee undertook on-the-spot study visit to Mirchpur village, Hisar and Jind and Kaithal districts of Haryana and directed the State Government officials/competent authority for taking immediate action. The Tour Reports of the same were laid on the Tables of both the Houses of Parliament.

Procedure for dealing with Representations

The Committee have laid down the following procedure for dealing with representations/complaints received by them regarding problems/difficulties being faced by the SC/ST people:—

- Memoranda/Representations received from the Government servants have a prescribed Appellate and Reviewing Authority with the President at the top. Such representations when received are forwarded to the Ministry/Department concerned for appropriate action.

- Memoranda/Representations on matters which are within the preview of the State Governments are forwarded to the Chief Secretaries of the State Governments/Union Territories concerned for disposal and the petitioner is informed of the action taken.

- Memoranda/Representations which made general suggestions for the welfare and improvement of the conditions of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are considered by the Committee on merit while dealing with the subjects referred to in those suggestions.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, out of a total number of 3700 representations received from the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Employees Welfare Associations as also from individuals regarding implementation of the reservation policy and other problems being faced by the SC/ST people, 3658 have been dealt with different authorities of the Central and the State Governments by the Committee.

Over the years, the Committee has become an effective instrument for safeguarding the interests of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes. The Committee has made considerable impact on the Government and the Public Sector Undertakings and the Nationalized Banks insofar as the socio-economic uplift of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes is concerned. An awareness has also been created by the functioning of the Committee that there is a watch-dog Committee of Parliament to exercise surveillance on the implementation of the Constitutional safeguards provided to the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes.

STATEMENT

List of Reports presented by the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Number of the Report	Subject / Date of presentation
1	2	3
1.	1st Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) (25.11.2009)
2.	2nd Report	Action Taken Report on 29th Report (Fourteenth Lok Sabha) on - "Situation arising out of the employment secured on the basis of false caste certificates" (30.11.2009)
3.	3rd Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Food Corporation of India (FCI) (2.12.2009)
4.	4th Report	Reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in allotment of Gas and Petrol Agencies (11.3.2010)
5.	5th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Twenty-Fourth Report (Fourteenth Lok Sabha) on the subject — "Reservation in Services including reservation in admission and employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), Kendriya Vidyalayas and in Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS) and Navodaya Vidyalayas" (11.3.2010)

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6.	6th Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in South Western Railway(SWR) (11.3.2010)
7.	7th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in Thirty-sixth Report (Fourteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject — "National Commission for Scheduled Castes— Its mandate and achievements — A review of its organisation and working" (22.4.2010)
8.	8th Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Punjab and Sind Bank and credit facilities provided by the Bank to them (28.7.2010)
9.	9th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Thirty-seventh Report (Fourteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)" (11.8.2010)
10.	10th Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) (23.11.2010)
11.	11th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Thirty-third Report (Fourteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "National Commission for Scheduled Tribes — Its mandate and achievements — A review of its organisation and working" (24.03.2011)
12.	12th Report	Examination of programmes for the development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs) (06.09.2011)
13.	13th Report	Termination of 10 SC ex-teachers appointed by Navyug School Educational Society of New Delhi Municipal Council on contract basis during Special Recruitment Drives 2005 and 2007 (06.09.2011)
14.	14th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Sixth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in South Western Railway (SWR) (07.09.2011)
15.	15th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Tenth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL)" (07.09.2011)
16.	16th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the First Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)" (13.12.2011)
17.	17th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Fourth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in allotment of Gas and Petrol Agencies" (13.12.2011)
18.	18th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Twenty-eighth Report (Fourteenth Lok Sabha) on the Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) on the subject "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Southern Railway" (27.12.2011)

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19.	19th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Third Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) on "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Food Corporation of India" (15.03.2012)
20.	20th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Eighth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) on Reservation for and employment of SCs/STs in Punjab and Sind Bank and credit facilities provided by the Bank to them (27.04.2012)
21.	21st Report	Reservation and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in National Aviation Company of India Ltd. (NACIL) (09.08.2012)
22.	22nd Report	Working of Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan (SCSP) (26.11.2012)
23.	23rd Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Thirteenth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Termination of 10 Sc ex-teachers appointed by NSES of NDMC on contract basis during SRDs 2005 and 2007" (26.11.2012)
24.	24th Report	Reservation for and employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) (26.11.2012)
25.	25th Report	Working of Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) (26.11.2012)
26.	26th Report	Review of representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in senior positions in Government of India (20.03.2013)
27.	27th Report	Implementation of schemes for Beedi workers with particular reference to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (30.04.2013)
28.	28th Report	Examination of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA) with particular reference to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (07.08.2013)
29.	29th Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Twelfth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Examination of Programmes for the Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs)" (22.08.2013)
30.	30th Report	Prevention of untouchability in Mid Day Meal Scheme in Government run schools (22.08.2013)
31.	31st Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) (22.08.2013)
32.	32nd Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Twenty Fourth Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) on "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)" (09.12.2013)
33.	33rd Report	Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the Twenty First Report (Fifteenth Lok Sabha) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the subject "Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in National Aviation Company of India Ltd. (NACIL)" (11.02.2014)
34.	34th Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in United Bank of India and credit facilities provided by the Bank to them (11.02.2014)
35.	35th Report	Reservation for and Employment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) (18.02.2014)

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MATTERS UNDER RULE 377*

Under Rule 377 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, a member may, with the prior consent of the Speaker, bring to the notice of the House any matter not being a Point of Order. For this purpose, a notice in writing has to be given to the Secretary-General stating briefly the point proposed to be raised. While earlier, matters allowed to be raised under Rule 377 were limited to questions of constitutional or legal importance which were within the jurisdiction of the House or related to the business of the House or its procedure–something akin to Points of Order but which fell short of being Points of Order as such– a more liberal attitude was adopted since the Fourth Session of the Sixth Lok Sabha. As many as five notices under Rule 377 were allowed per day. The practice of allowing eight matters per day, which started during the Seventh Lok Sabha, continued till November 1997. Thereafter, it was decided that the number of matters being raised under Rule 377 might be increased from 8 to 24 per day to be allocated on the basis of the strength of Parties/ Groups in the Lok Sabha.

However, since matters under Rule 377 could not be taken up in the House due to continued interruptions, the decision could not be put into practice till the dissolution of the Eleventh Lok Sabha *i.e.* upto 4 December 1997.

The procedure was actually put into practice with effect from the First Session of the Twelfth Lok Sabha *i.e.* 26 March 1998. Subsequently, at the meeting of the Business Advisory Committee (BAC) held on 29 May 1998, it was decided that 12 members, instead of 24, would be allowed to raise matters under Rule 377 per day to be allocated on the basis of the strength of Parties/Groups in the Lok Sabha. On 19 November 2000, at the meeting of the Speaker with the Leaders of Parties/Groups , it was decided, on an experimental basis, to increase the number of matters to be raised under Rule 377 from 12 to 15 per day and to reduce the text of the notice from 250 to about 150 words. This practice was made effective from 27 November 2000.

As per the decision taken at a meeting of the Speaker with Leaders of Parties, the number of matters to be raised under Rule 377 has been increased from 15 to 20 per day to enable more members to raise their issues. The decision was made effective from 25 April 2005.

However, with the passage of time, sometimes due to heavy legislative and other agenda, and some other time due to disturbances in the House a convention has evolved whereunder matters under Rule 377 were treated as laid on the table.

On 5 November 2009, the Speaker decided that, in case, matters under Rule 377 were to be treated as laid on the Table of the House, the Chair will make an announcement that those members who have been permitted to raise matters under Rule 377 on that day may personally hand over their matters at the Table within twenty minutes of the announcement. Matters under Rule 377 which have not been handed over personally by the members at the Table of the House would be treated as lapsed. This procedure is being followed from the third session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha onwards.

In order that a notice under the Rule is admissible, it should not be a State subject, matter already raised in the same session, not containing arguments, imputations, inferences, and not relating to proceedings of a Parliamentary/Consultative Committee.

A member can raise only one matter during a week under Rule 377. The Procedure to table the notice is quite simple and a notice under the Rule is valid for the entire week in which it has been tabled. Even if a notice is not included in the ballot to decide its priority because of time bar, the received notices are subsequently arranged in accordance with the date and time of their receipt and may get a chance to be raised if there are still vacancies left.

20 members are permitted to raise matters under Rule 377 per day. The ratio of each party and the number of members of that Party who can raise the matters is

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determined by a formula. The formula of daily Quota of respective parties is given below:

$$\frac{\text{Total matter allowed to be raised per day} \times \text{strength of parties}}{\text{Effective strength of the House}}$$

Over the years, the scope of the Rule 377 has broadened and it has become a popular parliamentary device with members of all parties. The main reason for this emanates from the fact that for matters to be raised under other rules such as Question, Calling Attention, etc., there are well laid down specific procedures which do not, in most cases, permit the members to register their point of view on a regular basis. However, under Rule 377, members get an opportunity to raise matters of public importance concerning their constituencies, normally not allowed under other rules, week after week. It has been found that, in most cases, the matters raised by the members under Rule are replied to by the Minister/Ministry concerned within one month of the matter raised in the House. Clarifications, if any, are obtained directly by the members from the Minister/ Ministry concerned. The position of the replies received under Rule 377 are normally reviewed by the Speaker at the Leaders' meeting held before the commencement of each Session.

This Rule is designed to accommodate the constituency issues requiring for immediate attention of the MP concerned. Notices, in most cases, are suggestion for action by the Government and in some cases, informative, providing the Government with valuable inputs for framing suitable government policy. Thus the Rule has a celebrated importance of its own.

Sometimes, other items of business included in the List of Business of the House for the day are not taken up due to continued interruptions in the House, whereas the matters under Rule 377 are invariably laid despite continued interruptions and this has caught the fancy of the members.

8

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS*

The Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha provide for allotment of two and a half hours of time once in a week (usually on Fridays) for transaction of Private Members' Business. Even though the time allotted to Private Members' Business is very limited, still members from all sections demonstrate keen interest in the business by participating in the discussions, initiating legislative proposals in the form of Private Members' Bills and moving Private Members' Resolutions on the matters of general public interest.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 372 Bills were introduced by Private Members belonging to almost all political parties represented in the Parliament. Out of these, 62 Bills sought to amend the Constitution. In all, eleven Bills were discussed *(Annexure I)*. Of these, nine Bills were withdrawn by members-in-charge in view of the reply of the Minister concerned by way of intervention during discussion on the Bill, one Bill was negatived and remaining one Bill, on which discussion was not concluded, lapsed on the dissolution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Some of the important Bills which were discussed are:—

(i) The Underdeveloped and Backward Areas and Regions (Special Provisions for Accelerated Development) Bill, 2009 by Shri Baijayant "Jay" Panda, M.P., sought to provide for the establishment of an Autonomous Central Authority to ensure accelerated development of underdeveloped and backward regions of the country which lag behind in matters of development of infrastructure in economic, social, educational and industrial fields. The Bill generated much interest and as many as 16 members took part in the debate. At the end, the Bill was withdrawn by leave of the House.

(ii) The Compulsory Voting Bill, 2009 by Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal, M.P., sought to provide for compulsory voting by each and every eligible citizen of the country at an election when called for by the Election Commission. The Bill got support from all sections of the House and as many as 20 members took part in the discussion. The Bill was withdrawn by leave of the House.

(iii) The Ban on Witchcraft Bill, 2010 by Shri Om Prakash Yadav, M.P., sought to provide for ban on the practice of witchcraft and for stringent punishment for practising, promoting or advertising witchcraft in any form. The Bill got support from all sections of the House and as many as 16 members took part in the discussion. At the end of the discussion, as the member-in-charge of the Bill was not present in the House, the motion for consideration of the Bill was put to vote and negatived.

(iv) The Provision of Social Security to Senior Citizens Bill, 2010 by Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal, M.P., sought to provide social security to all senior citizens and protection from exploitation and ill-treatment. Members belonging to all political parties took part in the debate. The Bill was withdrawn by leave of the House.

Due to limited time available for the transaction of Private Members' Business and procedural formalities of gaining high priority in the ballot etc., majority of the Bills introduced on many important subjects could not be discussed in the House. Some of such important Bills are:—

(i) The Council for Environment Protection Bill, 2009 by Shri K.C. Singh 'Baba', M.P., which sought to provide for the establishment of a Council at the Centre and in each State and Union Territory for the protection of environment and ecology;

(ii) The Rainwater (Compulsory Harvesting) Bill, 2009 by Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, M.P., which sought to provide for compulsory harvesting of rainwater by every household, business establishment and Government building in order to ensure conservation of water.

(iii) The Street Children (Rehabilitation and Welfare) Bill, 2009 by Shri Shailendra Kumar, M.P., which sought to provide for the rehabilitation

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and welfare measures to be undertaken by the Union and the State Governments for the street children who subsist on rag picking, begging, shoe polishing, working as potters or performing acrobatics at road crossings or public places and for their rehabilitation by taking their custody and providing them due care, protection, education and vocational training.

(iv) The Displaced Farmers (Rehabilitation and Other Facilities) Bill, 2010 by Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir, M.P., which sought to provide for rehabilitation of farmers who are displaced as a result of the acquisition of their land for setting up of industrial units, sharing by such farmers in the profits made by the industrial units.

(v) The Post-Polio Syndrome (Education, Training and Awareness) Bill, 2010 by Shri Balkrishna Khanderao Shukla, M.P., which sought to provide for education and training in and creating awareness about post-polio syndrome.

(vi) The Health Insurance (For Persons Living Below Poverty Line) Bill, 2011 by Dr. Ajay Kumar, M.P., sought to provide for health insurance for the benefit of persons living below poverty line.

(vii) The Women and Girl Child (Prevention of Atrocities) Bill, 2012 by Dr. Mahendrasinh Pruthvisinh Chauhan, M.P., sought to provide for stringent punishment to curb atrocities against girl child and women, rehabilitation measures for the victims of atrocities and constitution of special courts to try cases of atrocities against women and girl child.

(viii) The Climate Change Bill, 2012 by Shri Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo, M.P., which sought to set a target for the reduction of targeted greenhouse gas emissions; to establish a National Committee on Climate Change; to provide for carbon budgeting and carbon trading schemes and to encourage other such activities; to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

(ix) The Prevention of Bribery in Private Sector Bill, 2012 by Shri Feroze Varun Gandhi, M.P., sought to provide for a mechanism to deal with the practices of bribery among officials in the private sector.

(x) The Electronic Waste (Handling and Disposal) Bill, 2013 by Dr. Mahendrasinh Pruthvisinh Chauhan, M.P., which sought to provide for proper handling and disposal of electronic waste being generated by discarded electronic devices by prescribing norms and fixing responsibilities and duties on manufacturers, re-cyclers and consumers with regard to disposal of electronic waste.

Private members made good efforts by bringing new ideas through their Bills. For instance Shri Satpal Maharaj, M.P. introduced a Bill, namely, the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2011 (Insertion of new Article 24A) which sought to amend the Constitution with a view to make right to time-bound delivery of citizen related services a fundamental right of the citizens. Some of the other important Bills which contained new ideas are as follows:—

(i) The Prevention of Unsolicited Telephonic Calls and Protection of Privacy Bill, 2009 by Shri Baijayant "Jay" Panda, M.P. The Bill sought to provide for prohibition of unsolicited telephone calls from telemarketing service providers and other agencies and for the protection of individual privacy of citizens.

(ii) The Forest Produce Management Board Bill, 2010 by Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir, M.P. The Bill sought to establish a Forest Produce Management Board with a view to provide financial assistance to tribals and other persons living in or near forest areas for the purpose of exploiting forest produce to earn livelihood.

(iii) The Cultural Heritage Conservation Bill, 2010 by Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal, M.P. The Bill sought to provide for the constitution of a Board to be known as the Cultural Heritage Conservation Board for the conservation of cultural and natural heritage sites situated in the country.

(iv) The Palliative Care (Education and Training) Bill, 2010 by Shri Om Prakash Yadav, M.P. The Bill sought to recognize palliative care as an integral part of the health care system and also provided for:—

(a) formulation of a policy for palliative care with a view to create awareness about palliative care;

(b) teaching and training in palliative care in every medical college or institution; and

(c) palliative care to persons with terminal illness in every medical institution or hospital established and run by the Central Government or a Union Territory Administration.

(v) The Commission for Fixation of Prices of Essential Commodities Bill, 2010 by Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh, M.P. The Bill sought to provide for the constitution of a Commission to be known as the Commission

for Fixation of Prices of Essential Commodities to fix the prices of essential commodities.

(vi) The Micro Finance Institutions (Regulation of Money Lending) Bill, 2010 by Shri P.L. Punia, M.P. The Bill sought to protect the interests of women self-help groups from exploitation by the micro finance institutions in the country, by providing for regulation of the lending of money to the self-help groups by the micro finance institutions.

(vii) The Compulsory Teaching of Yoga in Educational Institutions Bill, 2010 by Shri Satpal Maharaj, M.P.. The Bill sought to provide for making yoga education a compulsory subject in all educational institutions from the primary school level to the senior secondary school level.

(viii) The Phased Incorporation of Cash Transfer in Pubic Distribution System Bill, 2011 by Shri Baijayant "Jay" Panda, M.P.. The Bill sought to provide for introduction of a system of transfer of cash in a phased manner to the beneficiaries of the Public Distribution System (PDS) in lieu of the foodgrains provided to them at subsidised rates.

(ix) The Compulsory Sports Education in Schools Bill, 2011 by Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir, M.P.. The Bill sought to provide, *inter alia*, for formulation of a National Policy for providing compulsory sports education in all schools of the country and constitution of a National Sports Education Fund.

(x) The Writers and Artists' Social Security Bill, 2011 by Shrimati Priya Dutt, M.P.. The Bill, *inter alia*, sought to:

(a) empower the Central Government to formulate welfare schemes for the writers and artists and establishment of a Board to be known as the Writers and Artists' Social Security Advisory Board for the purpose; and

(b) constitute a Fund to be known as National Writers and Artists' Welfare Fund;

in order to secure social security to the writers and artists in the country.

(xi) The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2011 (Amendment of Article 72) by Dr. Kirit Premjibhai Solanki, M.P. The Bill sought to amend Article 72 of the Constitution with a view to provide that the power conferred on the President to grant pardons, reprieves, respites or remission of punishment or to suspend, remit or commute the sentence of any person convicted of any offence relating to sedition or waging war against the State or terrorist activities in any part of the country shall be exercised by the President within a period of one year from the date of receipt of the mercy petition.

(xii) The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2011 (Insertion of new Article 16A, etc.) by Shri P.L. Punia, M.P.. The Bill sought to amend the Constitution with a view to enable the State to encourage the private enterprises to provide reservation in the matters of employment in favour of persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes.

(xiii) The National Solar Energy Authority Bill, 2012 by Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir, M.P.. The Bill sought to provide for the constitution of a National Solar Energy Authority for the purpose of promotion of generation and utilization of solar energy in the country.

(xiv) The Disclosure of Lobbying Activities Bill, 2013 by Shri Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo, M.P.. The Bill sought to provide for:—

(i) constitution of a Lobbyists Registration Authority for registration of any person or any organization which conducts lobbying activity on his own behalf or on behalf of a third party client; and

(ii) disclosure of lobbying activities which influences legislative and executive decision-making in order to increase transparency in governance.

Besides, some Bills were also introduced by women members with a view to promoting the welfare of women in general. Some of the Bills introduced for the purpose were as follows:—

(i) The Empowerment of Women Bill, 2010 by Kumari Saroj Pandey, M.P.. The Bill sought to provide for the following measures for the empowerment of women in all fields:—

(a) setting up a Working Women Welfare Fund to provide women certain facilities such as free education, vocational training and free insurance;

(b) equal rights in the management, associations, etc.;

(c) provision of Special Courts to deal with the cases of atrocities against women;

(d) facilities for destitute women;

(e) property rights; and

(f) prevention of sexual harassment.

(ii) The Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, 2010 (Insertion of new section 32A, etc.) by Shrimati Maneka Sanjay Gandhi, M.P.. The Bill sought to amend the Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, 1951 with a view to provide that at least one-third of the candidates set up by every recognized political party for contesting elections to the House of the People or the Legislative Assembly of a State shall be women.

(iii) The Girls (Free and Compulsory) Education Bill, 2010 by Shrimati Supriya Sadanand Sule, M.P.. The Bill sought to provide for free and compulsory education to every girl whose parents are living below poverty line.

(iv) The Women (Reservation in Services) Bill, 2012 by Dr. (Smt.) Botcha Jhansi Lakshmi, M.P. The Bill sought to provide for reservation of thirty-three percent. of all posts in services under the Central Government including public sector undertakings and enterprises for women and to relax the eligibility conditions for appointment of women in services.

The ideas contained in the following Private Members' Bills prompted the Government to bring forward their own legislative measures—

(i) The High Court of Tripura Bill, 2010 by Shri Khagen Das, M.P. sought to provide for the establishment of a separate High Court for the State of Tripura.

(ii) The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2010 (Amendment of the Schedule) by Adv. P.T. Thomas, M.P. sought to substitute the word "Palluvan" with "Pulluvan", in entry 46, Part VIII.-Kerala of the Schedule to the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950 with a view to extend all the benefits to the persons belonging to the Pulluvan community which were being enjoyed by the persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes.

Private Members' Resolutions

Private Members also generate opinion and highlight various issues through another important parliamentary device in the form of Private Members' Resolutions. Though the Private Members' Resolution is merely an expression of opinion in the House or recommendatory in nature, it certainly gives an input to the Government to actively consider the issue which has been discussed through the resolution.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 88 Private Members' Resolutions were admitted. Of these, 10 Resolutions were discussed (see Annexure II). Out of the 10 Resolutions that were discussed, 5 were withdrawn and 4 were negatived. The remaining one Resolution was part-discussed and lapsed on the dissolution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, no Private Member's Resolution was adopted. Among the resolutions which were discussed, some of the important resolutions are:—

- Steps to ensure availability of drinking water in the country by Shri Satpal Maharaj, M.P.
- Special economic development package for the eastern districts of the State of Uttar Pradesh by Rajkumari Ratna Singh, M.P.
- Special status to the State of Bihar by Dr. Bhola Singh, M.P.
- Setting up of a Central University in Motihari District of Bihar by Shri Om Prakash Yadav, M.P.
- Formulation of an action plan to rehabilitate persons displaced from Pakistan by Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, M.P.

Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions

To regulate Private Members' Business in the House, there is a Committee known as Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions. The Committee consists of 15 members and the Chairperson of the Committee is the Deputy Speaker of the Lok Sabha.

The Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions performs the same functions in regard to Private Members' Business as are performed by the Business Advisory Committee in regard to the Government business.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Committee held a total of 38 sittings. The Committee presented 38 reports to the House. The Committee examined 88 Constitution (Amendment) Bills and after examining them recommended that 65 such Bills may be permitted for introduction whereas 20 Bills seeking to amend the Constitution were not permitted for introduction. The Committee also considered 370 Bills for classification. Out of these Bills, the Committee classified 214 Bills in category `A' according to their relative importance and remaining 156 Bills were classified in category `B'.

To conclude, considering the enthusiasm shown by members in tabling Private Members' Bills and Resolutions, it will not be an exaggeration to say that Private Members' Business will act as a catalyst for many official enactments or administrative measures for years to come.

ANNEXURE I

Private Members' Bills considered by Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Short title of the Bill	Member-in-charge and party affiliation	Brief purpose of the Bill	Date(s) when considered by Lok Sabha	Whether passed/ withdrawn/ negatived/ lapsed on the dissolution of the House/ removed from pending Register	Act No., date of assent in case of Bill enacted
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	The Underdeveloped and Backward Areas and Regions (Special Provisions for Accelerated Development) Bill, 2009.	Shri Baijayant "Jay" Panda (B.J.D.)	The Bill seeks to provide for the establishment of an Autonomous Central Authority to ensure accelerated development of underdeveloped and backward regions of the country which lag behind in matters of development of infrastructure in economic, social, educational and industrial fields.	3.7.2009(I) 17.7.2009 31.7.2009 4.12.2009	Withdrawn	
2.	The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill, 2009 *(Amendment of section 11, etc.)*.	Shri Francisco Sardinha (I.N.C.)	The Bill seeks to amend the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 with a view to permit the organizing of traditional game of bull fight or *dhirio* in certain States including the State of Goa.	3.7.2009(I) 4.12.2009	Withdrawn	
3.	The Compulsory Voting Bill, 2009.	Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal (I.N.C.)	The Bill seeks to provide for compulsory voting in an election by each and every eligible citizen of the country.	17.7.2009(I) 4.12.2009 5.3.2010 30.4.2010 13.8.2010	Withdrawn	
4.	The Child Welfare Bill, 2009.	Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury (I.N.C.)	The Bill seeks to provide for measures for welfare of children through prohibition of child employment, establishment of juvenile homes for destitute children and reservation in posts and services under the Central Government for such children on attaining the age of eighteen years.	4.12.2009(I) 13.8.2010 25.2.2011	Withdrawn	
5.	The Illegal Immigrants and Overstaying Foreign Nationals (Identification and Deportation) Bill, 2009.	Shri Baijayant "Jay" Panda (B.J.D.)	The Bill seeks to provide for establishment of a Commission for Identification and Deportation of Illegal Immigrants and Foreign Nationals who are staying in the country even after the expiry of their visas or have gone missing after the expiry of their visas.	4.12.2009(I) 25.2.2011 11.3.2011	Withdrawn	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2009 *(Insertion of new Articles 275A and 371J)*.	Prof. Ranjan Prasad Yadav [JD(U)]	The Bill seeks to insert new Articles 275A and 371J in the Constitution with a view to provide— (i) that the Central Government shall allocate rupees ninety thousand crore as one time grants-in-aid and rupees thirty thousand crore every year to the State of Bihar for undertaking development works and for relief and rehabilitation measures in the flood and drought prone areas of that State, and such amount shall be charged on and paid out of the Consolidated Fund of India; (ii) that a special provision in the Constitution be made for implementation of long term schemes aimed at overall development of the State of Bihar.	4.12.2009(I) 11.3.2011 5.8.2011 19.8.2011	Withdrawn	
7.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2010 *(Amendment of the Eighth Schedule)*.	Shri Satpal Maharaj (I.N.C.)	The Bill seeks to amend the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution with a view to include 'Garhwali' and 'Kumaoni' languages in the Schedule.	13.8.2010(I) 19.8.2011 2.9.2011 27.4.2012	Withdrawn	
8.	The Ban on Witchcraft Bill, 2010.	Shri Om Prakash Yadav (Independent)	The Bill seeks to provide for ban on practice of witchcraft and also provides for stringent punishment for practising, promoting or advertising witchcraft in any form.	30.4.2010(I) 27.4.2012 9.8.2012 7.12.2012	Negatived	
9.	The Provision of Social Security to Senior Citizens Bill, 2010.	Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal (I.N.C.)	The Bill seeks to provide for social security to all senior citizens and to ensure their protection from exploitation and ill-treatment.	25.2.2011(I) 7.12.2012 22.2.2013	Withdrawn	
10.	The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee (Amendment) Bill, 2010 *(Amendment of section 2, etc.)*.	Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir (B.J.P.)	The Bill seeks to amend the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 with a view to provide unskilled manual work to every adult person in rural areas who volunteer to do such work on all working days except public holidays.	11.3.2011(I) 22.2.2013 8.3.2013	Withdrawn	
11.	The Safai Karamcharis Insurance Scheme Bill, 2011.	Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal (B.J.P.)	The Bill seeks to provide for comprehensive and compulsory insurance of Safai Karamcharis against any mishap connected with their work to give them economic protection, safeguard their interests and for matters connected therewith.	2.9.2011(I) 8.3.2013 Discussion not concluded.	Lapsed	

ANNEXURE II

Private Members' Resolutions Discussed in Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Subject-matter of the Resolution	Name of the Member who moved the Resolution	Date(s) on which the Resolution was discussed	Time Taken H M	Decision of the House
1	2	3	4	5	6
First Session	NIL				
Second Session					
1.	Having regard to the geographical conditions of the Himalayan Region, which cause landslides, cloudbursts, earthquakes, hailstorms and other natural calamities resulting in huge loss of lives and property and also taking into consideration the high cost of construction of roads, buildings and other development works due to mountainous terrain and the socio-economic backwardness of the region, this House urges upon the Government to constitute a Board to be known as the 'National Board for the Development of Himalayan States' with full financial assistance of the Union Government for– (i) all-round and speedy development of the States comprising the Himalayan Region; (ii) monitoring the implementation of existing Central Schemes and programmes in these States; and (iii) suggesting measures to minimize the effect of natural calamities in the said region.	Shri Virender Kashyap	3.7.2009 10.7.2009	4 — 39	Withdrawn
2.	Having regard to the fact that there is a serious crisis of availability of drinking water in various parts of the country, particularly in Pauri Garhwal, Chamoli, Rudraprayag, Tehri Garhwal and Nainital Districts in the State of Uttarakhand and that the Centrally sponsored drinking water schemes like *Swajaldhara* and Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) are not being implemented and monitored properly, this House urges upon the Government to formulate and implement a time bound comprehensive action plan at national level to overcome the problem of drinking water.	Shri Satpal Maharaj	10.7.2009 30.7.2009	2 — 40	Discussion not concluded
Third Session					
3.	Having regard to the fact that there is a serious crisis of availability of drinking water in various parts of the country, particularly in Pauri Garhwal, Chamoli, Rudraprayag, Tehri Garhwal and Nainital Districts in the State of Uttarakhand and that the Centrally sponsored drinking water schemes like *Swajaldhara* and Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) are not being implemented and monitored properly, this House urges upon the Government to formulate and implement a time bound comprehensive action plan at national level to overcome the problem of drinking water.	Shri Satpal Maharaj	11.12.2009	0 — 56	Withdrawn

1	2	3	4	5	6
4.	Considering the socio-economic backwardness of the eastern districts of the State of Uttar Pradesh, also known as the Poorvanchal Region, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to formulate and implement a special economic development package for the region on the lines of package announced for Bundelkhand Region.	Rajkumari Ratna Singh	11.12.2009	1 — 35	Discussion not concluded
Fourth Session					
5.	Considering the socio-economic backwardness of the eastern districts of the State of Uttar Pradesh, also known as the Poorvanchal Region, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to formulate and implement a special economic development package for the region on the lines of package announced for Bundelkhand Region.	Rajkumari Ratna Singh	21.4.2010	2 — 32	Withdrawn
6.	This House expresses its serious concern over the plight of persons living below poverty line and urges upon the Government to take the following steps in a time bound manner to eradicate poverty from the country by the year 2015:— (i) identify the families living below poverty line in all the States; (ii) provide vocational training and thereafter gainful employment to at least one member of every such family; (iii) provide family pension at the rate of not less than rupees three thousand per month to every such family, where gainful employment is not provided to any member of that family; and (iv) provide quality education upto senior secondary level to all children belonging to such families, free of cost.	Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	21.4.2010	0 — 02	Discussion not concluded
Fifth Session					
7.	This House expresses its serious concern over the plight of persons living below poverty line and urges upon the Government to take the following steps in a time bound manner to eradicate poverty from the country by the year 2015:— (i) identify the families living below poverty line in all the States; (ii) provide vocational training and thereafter gainful employment to at least one member of every such family; (iii) provide family pension at the rate of not less than rupees three thousand per month to every such family, where gainful employment is not provided to any member of that family; and	Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	6.8.2010 21.8.2010	4 — 55	Withdrawn

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	(iv) provide quality education upto senior secondary level to all children belonging to such families, free of cost.				
8.	This House urges upon the Government to accord special status to the State of Bihar with a view to accelerate the pace of development in the State and enable it to overcome its backwardness.	Dr. Bhola Singh	21.8.2010	0 — 05	Withdrawn
Sixth Session		NIL*			
Seventh Session					
9.	This House urges upon the Government to accord special status to the State of Bihar with a view to accelerate the pace of development in the State and enable it to overcome its backwardness.	Dr. Bhola Singh	18.3.2011	0 — 01	Discussion not concluded
Eighth Session					
10.	This House urges upon the Government to accord special status to the State of Bihar with a view to accelerate the pace of development in the State and enable it to overcome its backwardness.	Dr. Bhola Singh	12.8.2011 26.8.2011	4 — 34	Withdrawn
11.	This House expresses its deep concern over the backwardness prevailing in the desert regions of the country and urges upon the Government to prepare and implement a special economic package for:—	Shri Harish Choudhary	26.8.2011	0 — 27	Discussion not concluded
	(i) overall development of desert regions, on the lines of the economic package provided to the North-Eastern States to mitigate the problems being faced by the people living in desert regions; and				
	(ii) enabling the people of these regions to achieve a level of socio-economic development at par with the people living in other parts of the country.				
Ninth session		NIL*			
Tenth session					
12.	This House expresses its deep concern over the backwardness prevailing in the desert regions of the country and urges upon the Government to prepare and implement a special economic package for:—	Shri Harish Choudhary	4.5.2012 18.5.2012	2 — 50	Negatived
	(i) overall development of desert regions on the lines of the economic package provided to the North-Eastern States to mitigate the problems being faced by the people living in desert regions; and				
	(ii) enabling the people of these regions to achieve a level of socio-economic development at par with the people living in other parts of the country.				

*Private Members' Business (Resolutions) was not transacted during the Sixth and Ninth Sessions.

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13.	Having regard to the growing need for higher education in the State of Bihar, this House urges upon the Government to set up a Central University in the Motihari District of the State of Bihar, which has also been the 'Karmabhoomi' of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of our Nation.	Shri Om Prakash Yadav	18.5.2012	2 — 08	Discussion not concluded
Eleventh Session					
14.	Having regard to the growing need for higher education in the State of Bihar, this House urges upon the Government to set up a Central University in the Motihari District of the State of Bihar, which has also been the 'Karmabhoomi' of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of our Nation.	Shri Om Prakash Yadav	17.8.2012	1 — 00	Negatived
15.	This House expresses its serious concern over the rising incidents of violation of Human Rights in various parts of the country and urges upon the Government to take effective steps to curb the occurrence of such incidents.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	17.8.2012	1 — 18	Negatived
16.	Taking into account the problems being faced by the persons migrated from Pakistan to India and settled in various parts of the country, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to grant them citizenship and formulate a time-bound action plan to extend them facilities as are available to other citizens of the country.	Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal	17.8.2012	0 — 02	Discussion not concluded
Twelfth Session					
17.	Taking into account the problems being faced by the persons migrated from Pakistan to India and settled in various parts of the country, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to grant them citizenship and formulate a time-bound action plan to extend them facilities as are available to other citizens of the country.	Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal	30.11.2012 14.12.2012	2 — 35	Discussion not concluded
Thirteenth Session					
18.	Taking into account the problems being faced by the persons migrated from Pakistan to India and settled in various parts of the country, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to grant them citizenship and formulate a time-bound action plan to extend them facilities as are available to other citizens of the country.	Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal	15.3.2013	1 — 02	Negatived
19.	This House expresses its serious concern over consistent increase in the rate of inflation and consequent rise in the prices of essential commodities and urges upon the Government to take effective steps to control the rising prices of essential commodities and strengthen and universalize the Public Distribution System.	Shri Mahendra Kumar Roy	15.3.2013	1 — 25	Discussion not concluded
Fourteenth Session		NIL*			
Fifteenth Session		NIL*			

*Private Members' Business (Resolutions) was not transacted during the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Sessions.

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PARLIAMENTARY FORUMS*

Background

In the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, the then Speaker, made an observation in the Lok Sabha on 12 May 2005 relating to the constitution of a Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management to enable members of Parliament to discuss the critical issues related to water in a structured manner and also to raise these issues more effectively on the floor of the House and during the meetings of the Parliamentary Committees. Subsequently, the first Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management was constituted on 12 August 2005. Thereafter, four more Parliamentary Forums *viz*. on Children; Youth; Population and Public Health; and Global Warming and Climate Change were also constituted during the period of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha.

Upon constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha in May 2009, all the above said five Parliamentary Forums were reconstituted on 21 January 2010. Besides these, on the initiative of the Speaker, Smt. Meira Kumar, three new Parliamentary Forums *i.e.* Forum on Disaster Management (on 8 December 2011); Artisans and Craftspeople (on 26 April 2013); and Millennium Development Goals (on 11 December 2013) were constituted thus increasing the number of Parliamentary Forums to eight which are:

(i) Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management

(ii) Parliamentary Forum on Children

(iii) Parliamentary Forum on Youth

(iv) Parliamentary Forum on Population and Public Health

(v) Parliamentary Forum on Global Warming and Climate Change

(vi) Parliamentary Forum on Disaster Management

(vii) Parliamentary Forum on Artisans and Craftspeople

(viii) Parliamentary Forum on Millennium Development Goals

*Contributed by the Cell on Parliamentary Forums.

Objectives

The objectives behind the constitution of various Parliamentary Forums are:

- to provide a platform to the members to have interaction with experts and key officials from the nodal Ministries with a view to having a focussed and meaningful discussion on critical issues with a result-oriented approach for speeding up the implementation process;

- to sensitize the members about the key areas of concern and also about the ground level situation and equip them with the latest information, knowledge, technical know-how and valuable inputs from experts, both from with-in the country and from abroad, for enabling them to raise these issues effectively on the Floor of the House(s) and in the meetings of various Parliamentary Committees; and

- to prepare a data-base on critical issues coming under the ambit of each Parliamentary Forum after culling out relevant information from different sources such as Ministries concerned, United Nations (UN), Internet, NGOs, Newspapers, etc. and circulation thereof to the Members so that they can meaningfully participate in the discussions held at the meeting of the Forums and seek clarifications from the experts/officials from the Ministry present in the meetings.

The Parliamentary Forums do not interfere with or encroach upon the jurisdiction of the Departmentally Related Standing Committees (DRSCs) or the Ministry/ Department concerned. Unlike the Committees, the Parliamentary Forums do not present report to the House(s).

Composition

The Guidelines of the respective Forum provide that the Speaker, Lok Sabha, is the *ex-officio* President of all the Parliamentary Forums except the Parliamentary Forum on Population and Public Health where the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, is the *ex-officio* President

and the Speaker, Lok Sabha, is the *ex-officio* Co-President. Apart from the President, the Deputy Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, the Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, the Ministers concerned and Chairpersons of the respective Departmentally Related Standing Committees are *ex-officio* Vice-Presidents of the Forum.

Each Forum consists of not more than 31 members (excluding the President, Co-President and Vice-Presidents) out of whom not more than 21 are from Lok Sabha and not more than 10 are from Rajya Sabha.

Members, other than the President and Vice-President of these Forums, are nominated by the Speaker, Lok Sabha, and the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, as the case may be, from amongst the Leaders of Political Parties and Groups, or their nominees, who have special knowledge/keen interest in the subject.

Upto five Additional Vice-Presidents/Members, out of whom not more than 3 Members from the Lok Sabha and 2 Members from the Rajya Sabha, can be nominated by the Speaker, Lok Sabha and the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, as the case may be.

Appointment of Member-Convener

The President of the Forum may appoint a Member-Convener for conducting regular, approved Programmes/Meetings of the Forum. In case of the Parliamentary Forum on Population and Public Health, where the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, is the *ex-officio* President and the Speaker, Lok Sabha, is the ex-*officio* Co-President, such Member-Convener may be appointed by the President/Co-President.

Term of Office

The term of office of members of the Forum remains co-terminus with their membership in the respective Houses. A member may also resign from the Forum by writing under one's own hand, addressed to the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, or the Speaker, Lok Sabha, as the case may be.

Association of Experts

Experts in the respective fields concerned with the subject matter of each of the Forums are associated as Special Invitees who may share their views/present papers during the meetings/seminars of the Forum.

A brief account of the eight Parliamentary Forums during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha is given below:

Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management was re-constituted on 21 January 2010. The Speaker appointed Shri Prabodh Panda, MP, Lok Sabha, as the Member-Convener of the Forum for conducting regular, approved programmes/meetings of the Forum.

Functions

The functions of the Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management are:

- to identify problems relating to water and make suggestions/ recommendations for consideration and appropriate action by the Government/ organisations concerned;
- to identify the ways of involving members of Parliament in conservation and augmentation of water resources in their respective States/ Constituencies;
- to organise seminars/workshops to create awareness for conservation and efficient management of water; and
- to undertake such other related tasks as it may deem fit.

Meetings

Meetings held by the Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are as follows:—

Sl.No.	Date of Meeting	Presentation by (Name of Expert/Organisation)	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	20.04.2010		First meeting of the Forum during 15th Lok Sabha
2.	03.08.2010	**Ms. Sunita Narain,** Director, Centre for Science and Environment.	'Agenda for Water Management for an increasingly water stressed world — Solution for the future'

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3.	17.08.2010	**Dr. T.B.S. Rajput,** Project Director, Water Technology Centre (WTC)	'Water Use Efficiencies'
4.	30.11.2010	**Mr. Aidan Cronin,** Water and Environmental Sanitation Specialist, UNICEF India	'Drinking Water'
5.	03.03.2011	**Dr. Kirit S. Parikh,** Chairperson, Expert Group for Low Carbon Strategy for Inclusive Growth and former Member (Water Resources), Planning Commission	'Integrated Water Management : Policy and Actions'
6.	17.08.2011	**Shri M.E. Haque,** Member, Central Water Commission	'Water Bodies in Rural Areas'
7.	29.11.2011	**Dr. Devinder K. Chadha,** President, Global Hydrogeological Solutions (GHS) and former Chairperson, Central Ground Water Board	'Inadequate harvesting of Rain Water Resources'
8.	21.03.2012	**Dr. Rajiv Sharma,** Joint Secretary & Mission Director, National Mission Clean Ganga, Ministry of Environment and Forests	'Environment and Pollution Control in River Ganga'
9.	03.05.2012	**Shri Hemant Dhyani,** Member, Ganga Ahvaan	'Ecosystem of River Ganga – Current Policies and Developments'
10.	22.08.2012	**Shri G. Mohan Kumar,** Additional Secretary (Water Resources) & Mission Director, National Water Mission, Ministry of Water Resources	'National Water Mission : Goals and Strategies towards water Conservation'
11.	11.12.2012	**Shri Rajesh Kumar,** Chairperson, Central Water Commission	'Improving Water Use Efficiency in Irrigation, Water Supply and Industries'
12.	13.03.2013	**Dr. Bindeshwar Pathak,** Founder, Sulabh International Social Organisation	'Technological Options in Rural Sanitation – Indian Context'
13.	30.08.2013	**Dr. K. Vijayalakshmi,** Vice-President, Development Alternatives	'Water Conservation—Rain Water Harvesting'

Parliamentary Forum on Children

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Parliamentary Forum on Children was re-constituted on 21 January 2010. The Speaker appointed Shri Naveen Jindal, MP, Lok Sabha as Member-Convener of the Forum for conducting regular, approved programmes/meetings of the Forum.

Functions

The functions of the Forum are:—

- to further enhance awareness and attention of Parliamentarians towards critical issues affecting children's well-being so that they may provide due leadership to ensure their rightful place in the development process;
- to provide a platform to parliamentarians to exchange ideas, views and experiences in relation to children, in a structured manner, through Workshops, Seminars, Orientation Programmes, etc;

- to provide parliamentarians an interface with the civil society for highlighting children's issues, including, *inter alia,* the voluntary sector, media and corporate sector and thereby to foster effective strategic partnerships in this regard;

- to enable parliamentarians to interact, in an institutionalized manner, with specialized UN Agencies like the UNICEF and other comparable multilateral agencies on Expert Reports, Studies, News and Trend-analyses, etc., world-wide, which are germane to developments in the sector; and

- to undertake any other tasks, projects, assignments, etc. as the Forum may deem fit.

Meetings

Meetings held by the Parliamentary Forum on Children during the 15th Lok Sabha are as follows:—

Sl.No.	Date of Meeting	Presentation by (Name of Expert/Organisation)	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	15.3.2010		First meeting of the Forum during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha
2.	30.04.2010	**Shri Vinod Raina,** Member, Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE)	'Right to Education'
3.	20.08.2010	**Dr. V.K. Paul, Head,** Department of Pediatrics, AIIMS, and Global, Co-Chair, Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, Mr. Victor Aguayio, Chief of Nutrition, UNICEF and Dr. Shariqua Yunus, Programme Officer, Nutrition, WFP	'Malnutrition and Urgency of Improving Newborn Survival in India'
4.	7.12.2010	(i) **Mr. Antony Lake,** Executive Director, UNICEF; and (ii) **Shri N.C. Saxena,** Member, National Advisory Council and former Secretary, Planning Commission (ii) sharing of experiences by youth leaders working on the issues relating to marginalized children	'Children as Agents of Change : Voices from the Field'
5.	15.03.2011	**Ms. Razia Ismail,** India Alliance for Child Rights	'Child Rights'
6.	11.08.2011	**Shri Vineet Joshi,** Chairperson, Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)	'Happier School Children'
7.	30.08.2011	**Dr. Rajeev Seth,** Honorary Secretary, Indian Child Abuse, Neglect & Child Labour Group	'Child Abuse and Neglect in Asia Pacific Countries : Challenges and Opportunities'
8.	08.12.2011	**Mr. Jose Bergua,** Chief, Child Protection in UNICEF, India	'Child Marriage : A Violation of Rights'

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9.	27.03.2012	**Ms. Roma Debabrata,** President, STOP Trafficking and Oppression of Children and Women	'Child Trafficking'
		Discussion with the representatives of the Ministry of Human Resource Development/ NCERT/CBSE	'Status of revision/updating of NCERT Books'
10.	08.05.2012	**Dr. Vinita Kaul,** Director, Centre for Early Childhood Education and Development	'Early Childhood Care and Development'
		Dr. Premaramachandran, Director, Nutrition Foundation of India	'Nutrition, Food and Malnutrition'
		Discussion with the representatives of the Ministry of Human Resource Development/ NCERT/CBSE	'Status of updating/revision of NCERT Text-Books'
11.	23.08.2012	Shri A.C. Pandey, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment	'Elimination of Child Labour'
12.	12.12.2012	(i) **Ms. Shireen Vakil Miller,** Director - Policy and Advocacy, Save the Children, and (ii) **Professor Arvind Panagariya,** Professor in Columbia University	'Save the Children'
13.	11.03.2013	**Shri Amod Kanth,** Prayas, Institute of Juvenile Justice	'The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000'
14.	03.05.2013	**Prof. Aasha Kapur Mehta,** Professor of Economic, Indian Institute of Public Administration	'Engendering Development: The Twelfth Plan Perspective'
15.	27.08.2013	**Dr. L.S. Ranawat,** Executive Director, Sports Authority of India	'Schemes for Strengthening of Sports Infrastructure for Children'

Parliamentary Forum on Youth

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Parliamentary Forum on Youth was re-constituted on 21 January 2010. The Speaker appointed Shri Ashok Tanwar, MP, Lok Sabha, as the Member-Convener of the Forum for conducting regular, approved programmes/meetings of the Forum.

Functions

The functions of the Parliamentary Forum on Youth are:

- to have focused deliberations on strategies to leverage human capital among the youth for accelerating development initiatives;
- to build greater awareness among public leaders and at the grass-root level on the potential of youth power for effecting socio-economic change;
- to interact on a regular basis with youth representatives and leaders, in order to better appreciate their hopes, aspirations, concerns and problems;
- to consider ways for improving Parliament's out-

reach to different sections of youth, in order to reinforce their faith and commitment in democratic institutions and encourage their active participation therein; and

- to hold consultations with experts, national and international academicians and Government Agencies concerned on redesigning of Public Policy in the matter of youth empowerment.

Meetings

Meetings held by the Parliamentary Forum on Youth during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are as follows:—

Sl.No.	Date of Meeting	Presentation by (Name of Expert/Organisation)	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	09.03.2010		First meeting of the Forum during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha
2.	04.05.2010	**Shri P. Michael Vetha Siromony,** Director, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development	'Youth Policies in Democratic Process'
3.	11.08.2010	**Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat,** Chairperson, University Grants Commission	'University Education in India'
4.	16.11.2010	**Mr. Paul Comyn,** Sr. Specialist for Vocational Training & Skill Development with the ILO's Decent Work Team for South Asia; and (ii) Ms. Amarjeet Kaur, Deputy Director General (Employment), Ministry of Labour and Employment	'Problem of Unemployment and its Solution'
5.	09.03.2011	**Shri Gopal Krishna,** Secretary, Sports Authority of India	'National Sports Policy'
6.	10.08.2011	**Shri Injeti Srinivas,** Joint Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports	'Challenges and Reforms in Sports'
7.	15.12.2011	**Shri Dilip Chenoy,** MD & CEO, National Skill Development Corporation	'Youth and the Need for Vocational Training and Skill Development'
8.	28.03.2012	**Ms. Sarada Ali Khan,** Joint Secretary, National Service Scheme	'Role of Youth in Nature Conservation'
9.	17.05.2012	**Prof. (Dr.) C. Raj Kumar,** Vice Chancellor, O. P. Jindal Global University	'Youth and Entrepreneurship'
10.	27.08.2012	**Prof. Bibek Debroy,** Centre for Policy Research	'Youth and Economic Development'
11.	29.11.2012	(i) **Smt. Nidhi Prasad,** Sr. Counselling Psychologist and (ii) **Ms. Yashodhra Arora,** Sr. Counselling Psychologist	'Professional Education and Employability'

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12.	21.03.2013	**Shri Dilip Chenoy,** MD & CEO, National Skill Development Corporation	'Skill Development'
13.	07.05.2013	**Shri R.P. Sisodia,** Joint Secretary, Ministry of Human Resource Development	'Student Financing and Demand Side Management of Higher Education'
14.	05.09.2013	**Shri Naman Pugalia,** Public Affairs Analyst, Google India	'Youth and Social Media: Challenges and Opportunities'

Parliamentary Forum on Population and Public Health

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Parliamentary Forum on Population and Public Health was re-constituted on 21 January 2010. The Chairperson, Rajya Sabha and President of the Forum, appointed Prof. Ram Gopal Yadav, MP, Rajya Sabha as Member-Convener for conducting regular approved programmes/meetings of the Forum.

Functions

The functions of the Forum broadly are:

- to have focussed deliberations on strategies relating to population stabilization and matters connected therewith;
- to discuss and prepare strategies on issues concerning public health;
- to build greater awareness in all sections of the society particularly at the grass-roots level, regarding population control and public health; and
- to hold comprehensive dialogue and discussion in the matter of population and public health with experts at the national and international levels and to have interactions with multilateral organizations like the World Health Organisation (WHO), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), academicians and Government Agencies concerned.

Meetings

Meetings held by the Parliamentary Forum on Population and Public Health during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are as follows:—

Sl.No.	Date of Meeting	Presentation by (Name of Expert/Organisation)	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	05.05.2010		First meeting of the Forum during Fifteenth Lok Sabha
2.	28.07.2010	**Shri A.R. Nanda,** Executive Director, Population Foundation of India	'Empowering Approach to Population Stabilization'
3.	14.03.2011	**Dr. L.S. Chauhan,** Director, National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC)	'Public Health Issues'
4.	24.08.2011	**Shri J.S. Mathur,** Joint Secretary (Sanitation), Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation	'Cleanliness and Waste Disposal in Rural Areas'

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5.	13.12.2011	**Dr. K. Jacob Roy,** Founder and National Chairperson, Alzheimer's and Related Disorders Society of India	'Dementia'
6.	21.05.2012	**Dr. S.K. Sikdar,** Deputy Commissioner, Family Planning Division, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	'Population Policy: Current Status and need for new Population Policy'
7.	06.09.2012	**Prof. J.K. Das,** Director, National Institute of Health and Family Welfare	'Sanitation Interventions for Public Health and Hygiene'
8.	18.12.2012	(i) **Dr. Nata Menabde,** WHO Representative to India, (ii) **Dr. Antonio Duran,** Coordinator, International Health Policy, Andalusian School of Public Health, Spain, and (iii) **Shri Manoj Jhalani,** Joint Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	'Towards Achieving Universal Health Coverage in India'
9.	25.04.2013	**Dr. Tarun Sharma,** Director, Sankara Nethralaya, Chennai	'Combating Blindness in India'
10.	08.05.2013	**Shri Devesh Chaturvedi,** Commissioner, Allahabad	'Management of *Kumbh Mela*'

Parliamentary Forum on Global Warming and Climate Change

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Parliamentary Forum on Global Warming and Climate Change was re-constituted on 21 January 2010. The Speaker, Lok Sabha, appointed Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, MP, Rajya Sabha, as Member-Convener of the Forum for conducting regular, approved programmes/meetings of the Forum.

Functions

The functions of the Forum broadly are :

- to identify problems relating to global warming and climate change and make suggestions/ recommendations for consideration and appropriate action by the Government/ Organizations concerned to reduce the extent of global warming;
- to identify the ways of involving members of Parliament to interact with specialists of national and international bodies working on global warming and climate change with increased effort to develop new technologies to mitigate global warming;
- to organise seminars/workshops to create awareness about the causes and effects of global warming and climate change among the members of Parliament;
- to identify the ways of involving members of Parliament to spread awareness to prevent global warming and climate change; and
- to undertake such other related tasks as it may deem fit.

Meetings

Meetings held by the Parliamentary Forum on Global Warming and Climate Change during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are as follows:—

Sl.No.	Date of Meeting	Presentation by (Name of Expert/Organisation)	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	11.03.2010		First meeting of the Forum during Fifteenth Lok Sabha
2.	27.04.2010		'Meeting with Delegation of the European Parliament to interact on issues of mutual interest'
3.	03.05.2010	**Shri Girish Sant,** Co-Founder, PRAYAS, Pune & Coordinator, Energy Group	'The Road Map for Reduction in Emission intensity of Indian GDP by 20-25% by 2022 as communicated by G.O.I to the UNFCCC.'
4.	10.03.2011	(i) **Prof. J. Srinivasan,** Chairman, Divecha Centre for Climate Change, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore; and (ii) **Dr. S. Naresh Kumar,** Sr. Scientist, Environment Science Division, Indian Agriculture Research Institute (IARI)	'Impact of Climate Change on Agriculture'
5.	18.08.2011	**Dr. Ashok Khosla,** Chairperson, Development Alternatives and President, IUCN	'Population, Resources and Biodiversity with respect to Climate Change'
6.	25.08.2011	(i) **Shri Bittu Sahgal**, Member, National Board for Wildlife, Government of India & Editor, Sanctuary Asia; and (ii) **Ms. Prerna Singh Bindra,** Member, National Board for Wildlife, Government of India and Regional Coordinator, Tiger Programme, 'Panthera', New York	'Forests, Wildlife and Climate Change'
7.	30.11.2011	**Dr. M.K. Bhan,** Secretary, Department of Biotechnology	'Technology and Climate Change'
8.	26.03.2012	**Dr. Ajay Mathur,** Director General (BEE), Ministry of Power	'Impact of Climate Change on Energy Security'
9.	02.05.2012	**Dr. Subodh Kumar Sharma,** Adviser, Ministry of Environment and Forests	'Impact of Climate Change on Human Life and Habitat'
10.	30.08.2012	**Dr. Ashwini Kumar,** Director, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy	'National Solar Mission and related initiatives under the National Action Plan on Climate Change'
11.	17.12.2012	**Shri Ashok Singhvi,** Joint Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development	'National Mission on Sustainable Habitat'

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12.	27.02.2013	**Mr. Nicholas Dunlop,** Secretary-General, Climate Parliament	'Renewable energy-New Challenges and Priorities'
13.	30.04.2013	**Prof. Sir David King,** Climate Change Expert	'Climate Science — Recent Findings and Innovative Responses to Climate Change'
14.	29.08.2013	**Shri Sanjeev Aggarwal,** Chief Engineer (P&D), Central Water Commission	'National Water Mission — Effect of Climate change on Water Resources'
15.	17.12.2013	**Ms. Baroness Bryony Worthington,** Opposition Spokesperson on Energy/Climate in the House of Lords, British Parliament and Vice President, GLOBE International	'Learnings from Climate Change Act in UK'

Parliamentary Forum on Disaster Management

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, a delegation met the Speaker, Lok Sabha, on 3 December 2010 and submitted a memorandum regarding the plight of victims of Bhopal gas leak disaster. Consequently, the Speaker, in consultation with the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, constituted a new Parliamentary Forum on Disaster Management on 8 December 2011. The Speaker appointed Dr. Shashi Tharoor, MP, Lok Sabha, as Member-Convener of the Forum for conducting regular, approved programmes/meetings of the Forum. Consequent upon the appointment of Dr. Shashi Tharoor as Minister, Dr. Tharoor resigned from the Forum on 1 November 2012. Dr. (Smt.) Kakoli Ghosh Dastidar, MP, Lok Sabha, was then appointed as Member-Convener of the Forum by the Speaker on 26 November 2012.

Functions

The functions of the Forum broadly are:

- to identify problems relating to Disaster Management and make suggestions/ recommendations for consideration and appropriate action by the Government/ Organizations concerned to reduce the effects of disasters;
- to identify the ways of involving members of Parliament to interact with specialists of National and International Bodies working on Disaster Management with increased efforts to develop new technologies to mitigate the effect of disasters;
- to organize seminars/workshops to create awareness about the causes and effects of disasters among the members of Parliament;
- to identify the ways of involving members of Parliament to spread awareness to prevent disasters; and
- to undertake such other related task as it may deem fit.

Meetings

Meetings held by the Parliamentary Forum on Disaster Management during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are as follows:—

Sl.No.	Date of Meeting	Presentation by (Name of Expert/Organisation)	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	22.12.2011		The Speaker, Lok Sabha inaugurated the newly constituted Forum on Disaster Management.

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2.	22.03.2012	**Shri M. Shashidhar Reddy,** Vice-Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)	'Disaster Management'
3.	25.04.2012	**Shri A.K. Bajaj,** former Chairman, Central Water Commission	'Safety of Dams'
4.	16.08.2012	**Prof. A.K. Gosain,** Professor and Head, Department of Civil Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi	'Urban Flooding and Disaster Mitigation'
5.	19.12.2012	**Shri Krishna S. Vats,** Regional Disaster Reduction Advisor, UNDP	'Flooding, Tsunami and their Management'
6.	05.03.2013	**Dr. Manu Gupta,** Chairman, Sustainable Environment & Ecological Development Society (SEEDS), India	'Community based Disaster Preparedness'
7.	13.02.2014	**Shri P.G. Dhar Chakrabarti,** Advisor and Dr. S. Anandbabu, President, Disaster Management Infrastructure and Control Society (DMICS)	'Emerging Challenges of Disaster Management in India'

Parliamentary Forum on Artisans and Craftspeople

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, in consultation with the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, constituted the Parliamentary Forum on Artisans and Craftspeople on 26 April 2013. The Speaker appointed Smt. Putul Kumari, MP, Lok Sabha, as Member-Convener of the Forum on Artisans and Craftspeople for conducting regular, approved programmes/meetings of the Forum.

Functions

The functions of the Forum broadly are:

- to further enhance awareness and attention of Parliamentarians towards critical issues affecting artisans and craftspeople so as to preserve and promote traditional arts and crafts through various mechanisms;
- to provide a platform to Parliamentarians to exchange ideas, views, experiences, expertise and best practices in relation to artisans and craftspeople, in a structured manner, through Workshops, Seminars, Orientation Programmes, etc;
- to provide Parliamentarians an interface with civil society for highlighting issues related to craftspeople and artisans including *inter-alia,* the Voluntary Sector, Media and Corporate Sector and thereby to foster effective strategic partnerships in this regard;
- to enable Parliamentarians to interact, in an institutionalized manner, with representatives of various Union Ministries, Government Organizations like Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), Coir Board, the Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) and other related Organizations/Bodies;
- to hold comprehensive dialogue and discussion on the matters relating to preservation of arts and traditional crafts and the promotion of artisans and craftspeople with Experts/ Organizations at the National and International levels; and
- to undertake any other tasks, Projects, Assignments, etc. as the Forum may deem fit.

Meeting/Workshop

The details of the Meeting/Workshop held by the

Parliamentary Forum on Artisans and Craftspeople are as follows:—

Sl.No.	Date	Meeting/Workshop
1.	13.08.2013	Inaugural meeting chaired by the Hon'ble Speaker.
2.	18.12.2013 to 20.12.2013	Workshop-cum-Exhibition on the theme 'Handlooms and Handicrafts – Challenges Ahead' organized in Parliament House Annexe. The Speaker, Lok Sabha, inaugurated the Workshop-cum-Exhibition.

Parliamentary Forum on Millennium Development Goals

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, in consultation with the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, constituted the Parliamentary Forum on Millennium Development Goals on 11 December 2013. The Speaker appointed Shri Kamal Kishor, MP, Lok Sabha, as Member-Convener of the Forum on Millennium Development Goals for conducting regular, approved programmes/meetings of the Forum.

Functions

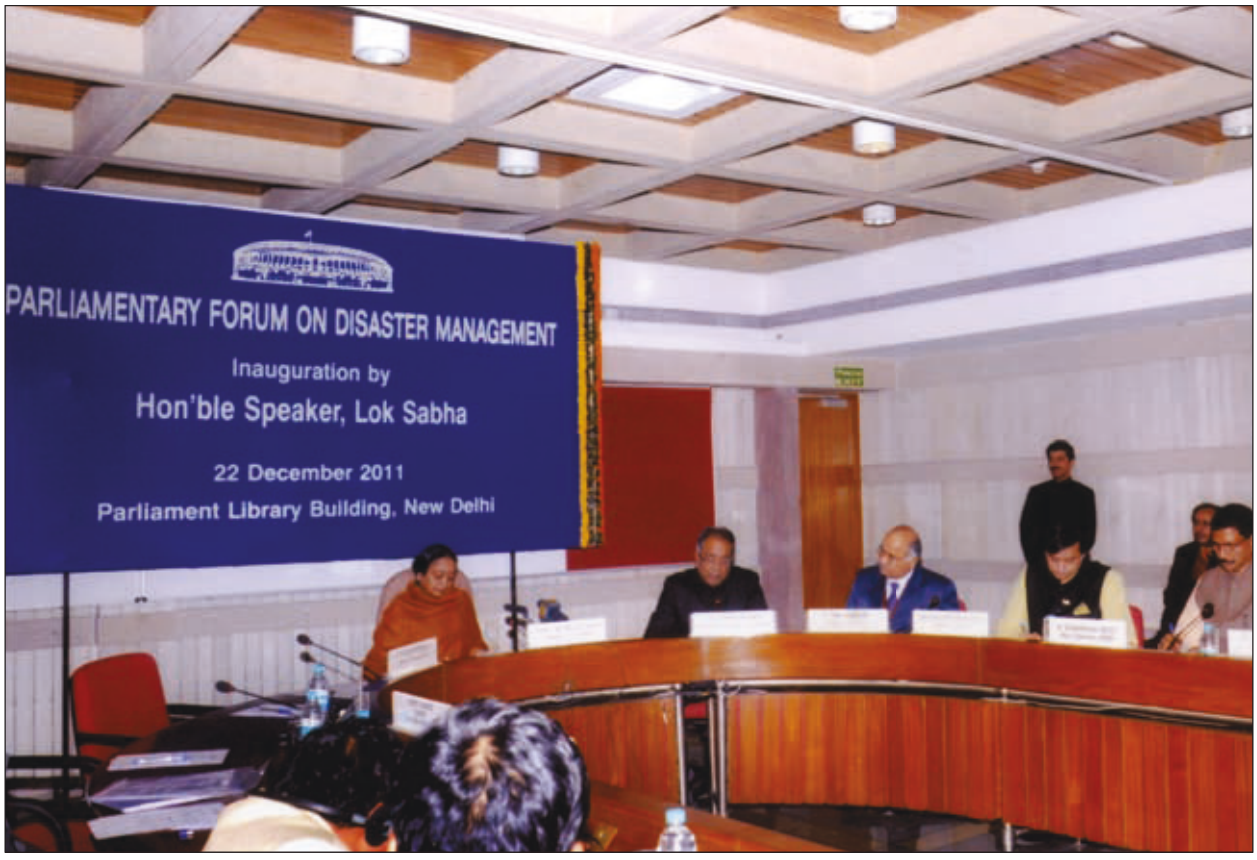
The functions of the Forum broadly are:

- to review and enhance awareness and attention of Parliamentarians towards critical issues which have bearing on achievement of goals/ targets set under Millennium Development Goals by 2015;
- to provide a platform to Parliamentarians to exchange ideas, views, experiences, expertise and best practices in relation to implementation of Millennium Development Goals in a structured manner, through Workshops, Seminars, Orientation Programmes, etc;
- to provide Parliamentarians an interface with civil society for highlighting issues related to Millennium Development Goals *viz* eradication of poverty; hunger; achievement of universal primary education; promotion of gender equality and empowerment of women; reduction of child mortality; improving maternal health; combating HIV/AIDS; Malaria and other diseases; ensuring environmental sustainability; and developing a global partnership for development;
- to enable Parliamentarians to interact, in an institutionalized manner, with specialized UN Agencies and other comparable Multilateral Agencies, Expert Report, Studies, News and Trend-analyses, etc. regarding achievement of Millennium Development Goals; and
- to undertake any other tasks, Projects, Assignments, etc. as the Forum may deem fit.

Meeting

The Minister of External Affairs, Shri Salman Khurshid, inaugurated the Parliamentary Forum on Millennium Development Goals at the meeting held on 17 February 2014.

With the constitution of three new Parliamentary Forums *viz.* on Disaster Management; Artisans and Craftspeople; and Millennium Development Goals during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the number of Parliamentary Forums has increased to eight thus strengthening the system of Parliamentary Forums.



The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar and other dignitaries at the inauguration of 'Parliamentary Forum on Disaster Management' in Parliament Library Building on 22 December 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the inauguration of Parliamentary Forum on 'Artisans and Craftspeople' in Parliament Library Building on 13 August 2013

Dignitaries at the inauguration of 'Parliamentary Forum on Millennium Development Goals'
in Parliament House Annexe on 17 February 2014

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PARLIAMENT MUSEUM*

A hi-tech story telling Museum of events, rather than of objects, spread over on an area of more than 1500 square meters on the Ground and the Mezzanine Floor in Hall No. G-118 of the Parliament Library Building, was inaugurated by the then President of India, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, on 14 August 2006. The objective of setting up a Museum within the Parliament precincts was to bring Parliament closer to the citizens at large and was an attempt at democratic consolidation.

The Parliament of India is one amongst the very few Legislatures of the world to have a full fledged Museum within its precincts. This world class interactive Museum is in tune with international standards and depicts the continuum of India's rich democratic heritage through undermentioned seven major clusters, *viz.* (i) Early Heritage and Medieval Period; (ii) Freedom Movement; (iii) Transfer of Power; (iv) The Constitution; (v) Functioning of the Legislature; (vi) Parliaments of the World; and (vii) Information Bank. A brief description of each of these seven major clusters is given below:

Early Heritage and Medieval Period

A recreated archaeological site depicts the self-governing democratic societies that evolved in India through the ages. A period setting of the Asokan era displaying the stone pillar inscriptions regarding the moral and ethical principles of life and lion capitol can be prominently seen. Emperor Akbar's concept of *'Din-i-illahi',* highlighting the peaceful co-existence of different religious faiths in India, is also depicted.

Freedom Movement

This cluster portrays the multi-cultural, pluralistic Indian society. The story of our Freedom Movement is displayed with exhibits involving sound-light-video synchronization. A virtual reality exhibit offers the visitors an experience of taking part, along with Mahatma Gandhi, in the historic Dandi March of 1930.

Transfer of Power

The story of legislative reforms beginning from the Charter Act, 1833 till the Indian Independence Act, 1947 and Transfer of Power is displayed with the aid of multi-media projections and artefacts of that period.

The Constitution

In this cluster, the drafting of our Constitution by the Drafting Committee of the Constituent Assembly is aesthetically exhibited. Visitors have the facility to access each page of the Constitution through a computer multi-media programme. The three organs of the Indian Republic, *viz.* the Legislature, the Executive and the Judiciary, have also been depicted. A polling station and a vote counting centre have been recreated to show people's participation in the electoral process.

Functioning of the Legislature

The recreated settings of the Chambers of Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha let the visitors have a feel of the proceedings of the two Houses through computer interactive modules. The Central Hall of Parliament House has been recreated where visitors have the opportunity to take seats alongside eminent national leaders and witness the animatronics of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru delivering the historic 'Tryst with Destiny' speech delivered on the midnight of 14-15 August 1947.

Parliaments of the World

This cluster demonstrates the evolution of Parliament Complex from the early sketches of Edwin Lutyens to those of the present Parliament Library Building. Computerized multi-media projections are used to display visuals of State Legislatures of India and Parliaments of the World.

Information Bank

This last cluster displays the portraits of distinguished national leaders unveiled in the Central Hall from time to time and also the artefacts and souvenirs received from different countries/sources. The

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computerized Information Bank gives full access to researchers of the stored textual and visual materials of the Resource Centre.

The Museum makes use of the latest technology to display the theme. A visitor is mesmerized at the sight of exhibits using walk-through period settings with sound-light-video synchronization, large screen interactive computer multi-media and immersive visualization with multi screen panoramic projections, virtual reality and animatronics. The Museum caters to the requirements of the visually challenged visitors also as they are able to know about India's democratic heritage inscribed in Braille language at different places in the Museum.

The Museum, conceptualized, designed and operationalised by the eminent Museologist, Dr. Saroj Ghose, was set up in a record time of eleven months.

The popularity of the Museum can be gauged from the fact that a visit to the Museum is invariably on the agenda of all visitors/Delegations visiting the Parliament. Apart from dignitaries, the Parliament Museum caters to nearly 150 visitors daily with students forming a major chunk of the visitors. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, as many as 1,24,800 visitors have visited the Parliament Museum.

The Museum also has a well equipped Conservation Laboratory which takes care of preservation and restoration of valuable artefacts. A Souvenir Shop with more than 50 souvenir items bearing the Parliament Museum Logo complements the Museum.

An interactive website (www.parliamentmuseum.org) on the Parliament Museum provides an opportunity to the viewers for a virtual visit of the Museum.

The Museum is open to the public from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm on all weekdays, except Sundays, Mondays (during inter-Session period) and Gazetted holidays. The visitors to the Museum are taken through guided tours where Museum guide explains each and every exhibit in detail to the visitors. Booking/reservation of slots for visiting the Parliament Museum can be made in advance through telephone, e-mail or fax. Access to the Museum is from the Reception Office of the Parliament Library Building located at Pandit Pant Marg.

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the inauguration of the Braille facility for the visually challenged visitors in Parliament Museum on 3 December 2013

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LOK SABHA TELEVISION (LSTV)*

Marking the beginning

The matter of telecasting/televising of Parliamentary/ Legislature proceedings has attracted the attention of Presiding Officers as well as of others for a considerable time. A step in this regard was initiated for the first time on 20 December 1989 when the Address by the President to members of both the Houses of Parliament was telecast/broadcast live by *Doordarshan*/All India Radio during the Ninth Lok Sabha. In subsequent years, guidelines covering the modalities/technical workability of televising of parliamentary proceedings were worked out. Discussions were held with political parties and groups in the House in this regard. There was also a Study Group of members which visited some foreign countries to understand the situation in their Parliaments.

Telecasting/telefilming of Question Hour began in 1991 during the Tenth Lok Sabha followed by the live telecasting of Railway Budget and General Budget during 1992. Since April 1994, the entire proceedings of the Lok Sabha were telefilmed for archival purpose. A major step towards live telecast of parliamentary proceedings was taken on 25 July 1994 when a 100 watt Very High Power (VHP) transmitter was installed in the Parliament House. The live telecast of Lok Sabha proceedings within a radius of 15 km. was formally started from August 1994. On 14 December 2004, the Vice President of India and the Speaker of Lok Sabha launched two separate dedicated satellite Channels by *Doordarshan* for telecasting the live proceedings of both Houses of Parliament.

In August 2005, the then Speaker, in consultation with leaders of various political parties in the Lok Sabha, took the historic decision to start a 24-hour television Channel of the Lok Sabha. It was the Speaker's vision that the Channel would be an extension of the Visitors' Gallery to the whole country. This Channel would be independent of *Doordarshan*, the State broadcaster in India, which used to telecast the proceedings of the House till then. On 24 July 2006, with the commencement of the Monsoon Session (8th Session, 14th Lok Sabha) of Parliament, the Lok Sabha Television (LSTV) began continuous 24-hour telecasting. The new Channel is available on Direct-to-Home (DTH) platforms. The cable operators are obliged to carry the Channel by virtue of the Notification No.1360 dated 6 November 2007 issued in exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 8 of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995, as amended.

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The Setting up

As part of the setting up of the Lok Sabha Television Channel, a studio equipped with modern recording and telecasting facilities was set up in the Parliament Library Building (PLB). The studio was initially set up by the *Doordarshan* and later handed over to the Lok Sabha Television. The Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Limited (BECIL), a Public Sector Undertaking of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, was assigned the job of setting up infrastructure facilities for LSTV. The old robotic cameras in the Lok Sabha Chamber were replaced and ten new High Definition (HD) robotic cameras, which are operated by remote control from the state-of-the-art studio set up in Parliament House ,were installed in strategic locations for better coverage of the proceedings. The televised proceedings of the Lok Sabha are properly captioned/ titled through the Modern Graphics System, also installed in Parliament House. A second, larger studio was also set up with High Definition equipment to further facilitate the recording and telecasting of programmes on the Channel.

An Earth Station was also installed so that the Channel's transmission could be directly up-linked to the Satellite. With the installation of the Earth station, the Channel achieved another milestone.

The Speaker took another significant step by constituting an Advisory Council for the Lok Sabha Television to guide the functioning of the Channel. The functions of the Advisory Council are:

- To indicate guidelines for programmes to be broadcast;

- To consider new programming concepts;
- To suggest ideas for the effective functioning of the channel; and
- To discuss any other matter relating to the functioning of the Channel.

Programmes

In addition to the live telecast of proceedings of the Lok Sabha and other significant events in Parliament, such as the Address of the President to both the Houses of Parliament sitting together at the commencement of the first Session of each year, the Channel also features various informative, interactive and substantial value-added programmes of general interest on issues relating to democracy and governance, social, economic and constitutional issues and other issues of citizens' concerns.

Programmes during Parliament Sessions

- **Agenda (Hindi and English)**: An hour-long, studio-based live show that features discussion on issues coming up before the Lok Sabha each day when the House is in session. The programme also provides some background information on the papers to be laid before the House, as well as various bills and other issues that are listed to come up during the day.
- **House Highlights (Hindi and English):** A half-an-hour, studio-based, live wrap-up of the day's proceedings in the Lok Sabha.
- **Dateline:** Half-an-hour summary of the week's proceedings of the Lok Sabha. (weekly wrap-up of House proceedings).

Other Programmes (Hindi)

- **Lok Manch:** A live one-hour, studio-based discussion on a current topic or issue of public concern.
- **Legal Point:** An anchor and panel based programme that takes up people's legal problems and gives expert views and opinions on them.
- **Sansad Se Sadak Tak (From Parliament to the Streets):** A half-an-hour weekly programme featuring a discussion with an expert panel on the impact of the decisions taken in Parliament on the common people.
- **Adhyaksha Mahoday:** A series featuring Speakers of Legislative Assemblies of different States of the Indian Union.
- **Vishesh:** An investigative current affairs programme on social issues and/or Government Schemes and Plans.
- **Surkhiyon Se Parey:** A weekly news capsule comprising interesting stories beyond the headlines.
- **Aanchal Mein Aakash:** Film based series on issues affecting women.
- **Sahitya Sansar:** A Hindi literary magazine show in 4 parts, featuring a discussion with an eminent Hindi litterateur on a recent literary event, a recently published book, a popular library and a profile of a legendary writer.
- **Amne Samne:** An exclusive interview with a well known national figure.
- **Hamari Sansad:** Brief History of Indian Parliamentary System.
- **Drishtikon:** A one – on – one interview of people from various fields who have been in the news.
- **Vigyan Darpan:** Science News and breaking through in Hindi.
- **Bharat Ek Khoj:** Shyam Benegal's interpretation of Pt. Nehru's 'The Discovery of India'.

Other Programmes (English)

- **Special Guest:** A programme based on discussion with an expert on policies, Economics and social issues.
- **Public Forum:** A live one-hour, studio-based discussion on a current topic or issue of public concern.
- **Healthy India:** A one-hour live programme on diet, nutrition and home remedies with phone-ins from the public and expert advice from specialists.
- **Roving Camera:** A weekly round-up of functions and events in and around Parliament House.
- **Talktime:** An hour-long, weekly discussion with two or more expert panelists on policy issues.

- **One-on-One:** An hour-long, weekly interview with a distinguished personality, either from the Government or Non-Government sectors.

- **Gender Discourse:** A live, one-hour-long, discussion-based show on gender issues with phone-ins from the public. The panel comprises two or more guests, including social scientists, legal experts and gender experts.

- **Public Domain:** A weekly programme based on public lectures and seminars featuring domain experts on various issues of common interest.

- **Pillars of Democracy:** A series on Lectures organized by the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training (BPST) on various topics relating to the Legislature, the Executive and the Judiciary.

- **A page from History:** A programme which discusses very important events in History on their landmark anniversaries.

- **Know your MP:** A half-an-hour interview of members of Parliament (Lok Sabha) on their political journey so far.

- **Globe Watch:** A discussion on international politics with diplomats from various countries.

Other Programmes (Hindi& English)

- **Perspective:** A one-hour daily live show analyzing newspaper stories of the day with a guest panel of senior journalists, commentators and experts during non-Session periods.

- **Insight:** A one-hour daily live programme analyzing a major issue or news story of the day with the help of expert panelists.

- **Insight Weekend:** A half-hour weekly 'field report' by an anchor taking the viewer through an issue, based on examples and inputs by those on the ground.

- **Career Café:** A programme for young people preparing for competitive exams and careers.

Programmes on Indian Culture

- **State of Culture:** A reportage and interview-based programme on trends in Indian culture and the cultural scene in the national capital.

- **In Transit:** An interview with a celebrity passing through the national capital.

- **Sur-Saptak:** A programme on classical Indian music tradition.

Films/Documentaries

- **Weekend Classic Film:** Award-winning films in Hindi and other Indian languages, produced or supplied by the National Film Development Corporation (NFDC), are showcased each weekend.

- **India Unlimited:** A series of documentaries on Indian culture and heritage produced by the Public Diplomacy Division, Ministry of External Affairs.

- **PSBT Films:** Documentary films provided by the Public Service Broadcasting Trust (PSBT) are shown on different time slots.

- **Fairs of India:** A documentary series that captures the specialities and flavours of fairs and festivals held in different parts of the country.

Marketing

Marketing activities of the Channel commenced in December 2006 and have steadily picked up as the Channel established itself and as its ratings improved. For this purpose, the Lok Sabha Television has set up a Marketing Division. Given the public service profile of the Channel, air time for awareness and publicity campaigns is marketed only amongst Ministries and Departments of the Government as well as Public Sector Enterprises.

The aim of such airtime marketing activities is to provide a platform for awareness and publicity campaigns which are intended for the public good, at reasonable rates as well as to raise revenues to help defray some of the expenditure incurred on the Channel. The Marketing Division has made significant and steady progress in this direction and generated revenues of Rs. 13.95 crore (gross) in the financial year 2013-14. This is a significant achievement, given the limited field of its marketing activities.

The Marketing Division also helps enhance awareness about the Channel and its programmes through publicity and public relations activities. The Channel has acquired a significant presence among the cable and satellite television networks operating in India.

There is undoubtedly increasing viewership as well as appreciation for the Lok Sabha Television among the discerning television viewers for the serious, informative, credible and insightful programmes that it offers.

Distribution

At the time when LSTV started 24 hour transmission in July 2006, the connectivity of the Channel through cable network was not very significant. However, after the successful completion of more than 7 years of transmission, the Channel now reaches a staggering 150 million (approximately) cable and satellite television homes in the major urban and rural television markets in India. This increase in the distribution and visibility of the Channel has been achieved with the help of a small team of professionals working in the Distribution Department of the Channel, along with the support of Distributors at the regional level. The LSTV is also available on all DTH platforms, Multi System Operators (MSOs) and Internet Protocol Television (IPTV) broadband cable platforms all over India.

An amendment to sub-section (1) of Section 8 of the Cable Television Network (Regulation) Act,1995, (7th of 1995) notified in the year 2007 by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, has made it compulsory for all cable operators/distributors to carry Lok Sabha Television Channel in their cable/distribution service.

The Distribution Department of LSTV has organized several interactive sessions in different places in the country to educate cable operators about the range of content on LSTV, in order to help create brand awareness about the Channel.

Staff Strength and Budget

The total sanctioned staff strength of the Lok Sabha Television Channel is 136 to handle the Programming, Technical, Marketing and Distribution Divisions. About 23 officers and staff from the Lok Sabha Secretariat have also been posted to facilitate smooth functioning of the Channel. Recurring expenditure on Lok Sabha TV Channel is met out of the sanctioned budget of the Lok Sabha Secretariat whereas the capital expenditure on the Channel is taken care of by the Central Public Works Department (CPWD). The total budgetary provisions for recurring expenditure on the Channel for the financial year 2013-14 was Rs. 10.48 crore whereas the gross revenue generated by the Channel during this period was Rs. 13.95 crore. It would, therefore, perhaps not be wrong to state that the Lok Sabha Television is one of the cost effective television channels in the country with a nationwide viewership.

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PARLIAMENT LIBRARY AND REFERENCE, RESEARCH, DOCUMENTATION AND INFORMATION SERVICE (LARRDIS)–AN OVERVIEW

There was no separate Library as such for members of the Indian Legislature till the year 1921. Only a small collection of publications comprising mainly Departmental reports, proceedings of the Legislatures, statutes, etc. used to be maintained, and that too without any proper classification. Books and other important publications, when required by members, were obtained on loan from the Libraries of the then Legislative Department and the Imperial Secretariat. Inadequacies inherent in such an arrangement came to be realized over the years and a small Library was, for the first time, established in the year 1921 in the then Central Legislative Assembly. This Library continued to serve members on a modest scale for a number of years.

It was only after the Constituent Assembly undertook drafting a new Constitution for free India that the demands on the Library started multiplying. Too much dependence of members only on governmental sources of information for policy-making as well as for evaluation of policy, or even for a critical appraisal of any Government activity, was felt to be rather unsatisfactory. An independent and comprehensive Library service was, therefore, envisioned not merely as a repository of books, legislative debates and parliamentary papers, but also for providing an up-to-date and objective storehouse of knowledge on which members could draw upon.

The year 1950, when India became a sovereign, democratic Republic, saw the beginning of a systematic expansion of the Parliament Library's collections, both quantitatively and qualitatively. Simultaneously, a Members' Reference Service was also constituted within the newly established Research and Reference Branch which initially functioned independent of the Parliament Library.

During the past six decades, the Library as well as the Research and Reference Services for members of Parliament has gradually developed into what at present is known as the Parliament Library and Reference, Research, Documentation and Information Service, more familiar by its acronym, LARRDIS. The present set-up and nomenclature of the integrated Service is the result of a major functional re-organisation of the Secretariats of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha effected during 1974-75.

Even though LARRDIS is a part of the administrative set-up of the Lok Sabha Secretariat, it serves members of both the Houses of Parliament and functions on a subject-section-cum-desk officer system. The objective has been to ensure the development of necessary specialization and expertise coupled with diversification of experience and interchangeability of desks within the broad subject areas.

LARRDIS is presently divided into several functional Divisions. The team of officers in each Division is led by a Director/Additional Director. The nomenclatures of, and work allocation to, these Divisions are subject to change, depending upon functional exigencies.

Research and Information Services

The research and information services for members of Parliament are provided by the Research and Information Division. Officers and staff in the Research and Information Division are categorized into the following specialized functional Wings or Sections identified by the subjects handled by each:—

- *Economic and Financial Affairs Wing*
- *Educational and Scientific Affairs Wing*
- *Journal of Parliamentary Information Section*
- *Legal and Constitutional Affairs Wing*
- *Parliamentary Affairs Wing*
- *Political Affairs Wing*
- *Practice and Procedure Unit*
- *Social Affairs Wing*
- *Who's Who Cell*

The functions of the Research and Information Division are broadly to assess in advance the information requirements of members by anticipating and identifying subjects of current parliamentary interest, including legislative measures on which Parliament is likely to undertake discussions and which are likely to generate demands from members for detailed information and data.

Every effort is made to keep members of Parliament informed of the current developments, both national and international, in various fields by bringing out Brochures, Information Bulletins, Background Notes, Fact Sheets, etc. which carry objective information. Handy pamphlets are also prepared and circulated for the use of members. All these publications are based on authentic published sources and continuous efforts are made to keep these up-to-date.

Books

As in the case of previous Lok Sabhas, during the life of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha too, the Research and Information Division brought out several important publications. Some of these are: *Constitution of India* (in hard bound deluxe format and in pocket-size); *Indian Parliament,* 6th and 7th Edition; *Indian Parliament*; 7th diglot Edition; *Electing the President and the Vice-President*; *Who's Who: 1st Lok Sabha (Reprint); Who's Who of 15th Lok Sabha*; *Members of Fifteenth Lok Sabha — A Brief Introduction*, 1st and 2nd Edition; *Finance Ministers' Budget Speeches: 1947-2011* (in 3 volumes); *Strengthening Parliamentary Democracy: Selected Speeches of Speaker Somnath Chatterjee*; *Practice and Procedure of Parliament* by Kaul and Shakdher (6th Edition); *Babu Jagjivan Ram in Parliament: A Commemorative Volume* (2nd Edition); *Tridib Chaudhury in Parliament: A Commemorative Volume; Speakers of Lok Sabha* (both English and Hindi versions); and *Indian Parliamentary Companion: Who's Who of Members of 1st to 15th Lok Sabha*.

As in the past, Profiles Handbooks, giving the bio-data of Presiding Officers and Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India, were also brought out by the Research and Information Division for use during the Conferences of Presiding Officers and Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India held at Bhopal (2010), Jaipur (2011) and Patna (2013). Profiles Handbooks were also brought out for the use of the Delegates during the 20th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth, the 22nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Seminar, and the 5th Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians.

In the Parliament Complex, statues and portraits of former Speakers, Presidents of the Central Legislative Assembly, eminent parliamentarians and public leaders are unveiled from time to time. On such occasions, the Research and Information Division brings out publications containing the profiles and select photographs of these eminent leaders. Leaders/dignitaries whose profiles were brought out in the recent past are: Sir Fredrick Whyte, Vithalbhai Patel, Sir Muhammad Yakub, Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola, R.K. Shanmukham Chetty, Sir Abdur Rahim, G.V. Mavalankar, M. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, Sardar Hukum Singh, Dr. Neelam Sanjiva Reddy, G.S. Dhillon, Bali Ram Bhagat, K.S. Hegde, Balram Jakhar, Rabi Ray, Shivraj V. Patil, P.A. Sangma, Ganti Mohana Chandra Balayogi, Manohar Joshi, Somnath Chatterjee, Satguru Ram Singh, Babu Jagjivan Ram, Jayee Rajguru, N.T. Rama Rao, Bhupendra Nath Basu and Chandra Shekhar.

On the birth anniversaries of national leaders whose portraits adorn the Central Hall of Parliament House, functions are organized under the auspices of the Indian Parliamentary Group (IPG) to pay tributes to the leaders. The Research and Information Division brings out/updates booklets containing profiles of these leaders which are brought out on these occasions.

Brochures, Briefs, Background Notes, Draft Speeches, etc.

The Research and Information Division is entrusted with special assignments like the preparation of brochures, briefs, background notes, etc. Considering the importance of objective information in respect of national policies for members, the Division, over the years, has brought out several brochures highlighting the various national policy formulations.

Information Bulletins, Brochures, Booklets and Pamphlets on parliamentary, constitutional and other relevant subjects are also brought out from time to time. Some of the Information Bulletins brought out during the 15th Lok Sabha titled: Climate Change; Presidential Election, 2012; Vice-Presidential Election, 2012; Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2011; Water Conservation and Management in India; Re-organisation of States in India; Petroleum Prices; Diesel Fuel: Demand, Subsidy and Pricing; Indian Rupee *vs.* US Dollar: The Current Scenario; National Food Securities Bill, 2013; and Power Sector: Issues and Challenges.

Other similar publications brought out by the Division are: Booklet on Parliament of India; Booklet on Parliamentary Privileges; Pamphlet on Dr. Tristao De Braganca Cunha; Booklet on 'Key Initiatives' taken by

the Hon'ble Speaker during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; and Procedure and Practice Volumes of the Economic & Financial Affairs Wing and the Educational and Scientific Affairs Wing.

Reports on important Conferences carrying select proceedings and highlights of such Conferences are also brought out by the Research and Information Division. Such Reports brought out during the 15th Lok Sabha include: Report on *'Fifth Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians'*; Report on *'Gender-Sensitive Parliaments: Seventh Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament'*; Report on *'Development in the Branch and Region on Women related Issues in the India Region'* in connection with the 16th Meeting of Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians Steering Committee; Report on *'Different Parliamentary Action Implemented at the National Level to Address the Global Issues of Cyber Security and the Safeguard of Citizen's Freedom and Fundamental Human Rights'* in connection with the 4th Parliamentary Forum on Shaping the Information Society on the Triple Challenges of Cyber Security: Information, Citizens and Infrastructures, Geneva. This apart, a DVD on *'Parliament of India'* was also prepared and released during the 20th Conference of the Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth and the same was distributed to the Delegates.

Daily Bulletin Desks are also set up by the Research and Information Division during various Conferences organized by the Parliament of India. The objective is to keep the Delegates and participants of the Conferences informed and updated of the various Conference-related news, proceedings, daily schedules and changes, if any, introduced in the plan of the ongoing Conferences. During the 15th Lok Sabha, Daily Bulletin Desks were set up on the occasions of: 20th Conference of the Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth; 5th Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians; Seventh Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament on Gender-Sensitive Parliaments and also the Conferences of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India held during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

The Research and Information Division prepares a large number of Briefs and Background Notes on various subjects for the use of the Indian Parliamentary Delegations going to other countries on good-will visits or for participating in International Parliamentary Conferences/Seminars held under the auspices of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians, the Conferences of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth, and the Conferences of Non-Governmental Organisations. Resolutions on specific themes discussed at the IPU Conferences are also drafted as and when required.

Briefs and Background/Research Notes are also prepared for use at the Seminars and Symposia held on the occasion of annual Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India and at programmes organized by the Indian Parliamentary Group (IPG) and the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training (BPST).

These apart, well-researched draft speeches/ points for speeches are also prepared by the Research and Information Division for the use of parliamentary functionaries and members of Indian Parliamentary Delegations on various occasions like good-will visits to other countries or for participating in International Parliamentary Conferences, Seminars and Symposia, Presiding Officers' Conferences and parliamentary or other functions.

Monographs

With a view to reviving the memory of eminent parliamentarians who played a distinguished role in the country's freedom struggle and contributed substantially towards the development of the parliamentary system, a new Monograph Series, the Eminent Parliamentarians Monograph Series, was started in 1990. Monographs on several eminent personalities have already been released under this Series. Besides in English and Hindi, some of these Monographs have been brought out in the regional language of the personage concerned.

Another series of Monographs titled the Distinguished Parliamentarians Felicitation Series is also brought out to felicitate and place on record the contributions of several distinguished leaders and parliamentarians who continue to serve the country in very many ways today. Monographs are also brought out on the transcripts of important addresses and talks at the BPST and elsewhere. In addition, Monographs on subjects relating to Parliament and its functioning are also published periodically.

Along with, the Research and Information Division also prepares articles, resolutions, citations for Outstanding Parliamentarian Award, messages, Foreword/Preface for books, answers to questionnaires and Secretary-General's D.O. Letter to the State Legislatures.

Periodicals

Besides these *ad hoc* publications, the Research and Information Division publishes the following periodicals for the use of members:—

The Journal of Parliamentary Information (Quarterly): The Journal serves as an authentic recorder of developments in practice and procedure and parliamentary events and activities in Indian and foreign Legislatures. It also carries articles on constitutional and parliamentary subjects from members of Parliament and other experts in the field. **JPI has now been made available on the Parliament Homepage in *pdf* version.**

***Digest of Central Acts (Quarterly*):** *The Digest* contains synopsis of all the Bills passed by Parliament and assented to by the President.

Digest of Legislative and Constitutional Cases (Quarterly) : *The Digest* contains abstracts of judgments of the Supreme Court and the High Courts involving interpretation of the provisions of the Constitution in important legislative and constitutional cases.

IPG Newsletter (Quarterly): The Newsletter keeps members of the Indian Parliamentary Group (IPG) informed of the various events and activities of the IPG like exchange of Parliamentary Delegations, IPU, CPA and the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians Conferences, Seminars, Symposia, Meetings, etc.

Copies of the periodicals *(except IPG Newsletter)* are made available to members on request. *The IPG Newsletter* is circulated among members of the Indian Parliamentary Group. Some priced publications are distributed to members free of cost on the basis of specific orders from the competent authority. There is also a practice to distribute a number of publications to newly elected members of a new Lok Sabha, free of cost. Other priced publications, including books brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, can be purchased by members of Parliament at a special discount of 50 per cent (on the first copy) of the sale price of the publication.

REFERENCE SERVICE

Members' Reference Service

Reference services provided to the members of Parliament by LARRDIS are qualitatively as well as quantitatively different from similar services provided by other Libraries. The Members' Reference Service organises the dissemination of factual, objective and latest information to the members of Parliament, Presiding Officers and the Parliamentary Committees on important legislative measures and other subjects of economic, social, political, constitutional and legal interest. The main function of this Service is to keep the members informed of important developments in India and abroad. The Members' Reference Service broadly performs the following functions:—

- Supply of on-the-spot data, statistics, *etc.* in response to the members' references.
- Collection and dissemination of the latest relevant material, factual data, statistics, *etc.* in response to the members' references.
- Preparation of bibliographical notes on important Bills.
- Preparation of Brochures, Background Notes, Fact Sheets, Information Bulletins, *etc.* and maintenance of comprehensive references on Bills and on topical issues as part of anticipatory referencing work.

In addition to the above, revision and updating of the following *ad hoc* publications are undertaken from time to time:—

- *Council of Ministers, 1947* – Names and Portfolios of the Members of the Union Council of Ministers,
- *India – Some Facts* (updated from time to time),
- *Parliament of India: A Study* (brought out at the end of the term of each Lok Sabha),
- *President's Rule in the States and Union territories,*
- *Presidential Ordinances,*
- *Time spent on various kinds of Business in Lok Sabha – An Analysis.*

In order to streamline the work of the service and to ensure supply of the latest and precise information to members within the stipulated time, the Reference Wing is divided into the following functional Desks:—

- Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Desk,
- Economic and Financial Affairs Desk,
- Human Resource Development Desk,
- Industry and Investment Desk,
- Infrastructure and Energy Desk,
- International Affairs and Defence Desk,

- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Desk,
- Political and Parliamentary Affairs Desk,
- Rural Development, Labour and Employment Desk,
- Science Technology and Communications Desk,
- Social Affairs Desk,
- Social Welfare Desk.

The scope of material to be collected in response to the members' references is normally limited to subjects connected with the immediate business before the two Houses of Parliament. The Members' Reference Service caters to the information needs of members both in English and Hindi as per their choice. Members are required to hand over written requisitions to the Reference Service indicating clearly and precisely the subjects and the specific points on which information is desired and the date and time by which it should be furnished to them. They can also convey their requirements telephonically or personally to the Members' Assistance Desks, the one located in the Parliament House and the other in the Parliament Library Building. The reference requisitions received by the Members Assistance Desk are promptly passed on to the Members' Reference Service where the concerned officer or the subject-Unit concerned starts processing it. The desired information is culled out from authentic sources, arranged and edited in the form of notes or tables, as the case may be, and passed on to the member within the stipulated date and time. References on which information is readily available in published documents and which do not involve preparation of any detailed analysis or compilation are attended to on the spot. All the relevant books, reports and Press clippings folders are consulted and photocopies of these are supplied to the members' for reference and study.

In order to assist members in the study of literature relevant to Bills for discussion before the House, comprehensive study material including Standing Committee reports and other relevant material are provided to the members.

When the Parliament is not in session, the Service prepares Reference Notes/ Information Folders on topic of contemporary interests for the use of Members during the session period. During the period 2009-2014, several Occasional Papers are prepared by the Members' Reference Service covering subjects like:

Reference Notes

(i) Agriculture Produce Pricing Policy

(ii) Central Government Schemes for School Education

(iii) Centrally Sponsored Schemes

(iv) Challenges of Urbanization in India

(v) Child Labour

(vi) Child Malnutrition

(vii) Climate Change

(viii) Coastal Security

(ix) Combating Piracy in Indian Ocean

(x) Consumer Protection

(xi) Corporate Social Responsibility

(xii) Crime Against Women

(xiii) Current Economic Scenario

(xiv) Displacement and Rehabilitation of People due to Industrial Projects

(xv) Farmer's Problems

(xvi) FDI in Retail : Problems and Prospects

(xvii) Financial Sector : Reforms and Regulations

(xviii) Government Subsidy Policy and its Impact

(xix) Indian Diaspora

(xx) Inflation / Price Rise

(xxi) Lokpal Bill

(xxii) Manual Scavengers: Welfare and Rehabilitation

(xxiii) Mental Health Care

(xxiv) Mid-Day Meal Scheme

(xxv) Millennium Development Goals

(xxvi) Minorities' Education

(xxvii) National Highways Development Programme

(xxviii) New Mining Policy

(xxix) Paid News

(xxx) Petroleum Prices

(xxxi) Power Sector Scenario

(xxxii) Problems and Welfare of Senior Citizens

(xxxiii) Right to Education

(xxxiv) Rural Housing: Indira Awas Yojana

(xxxv) School Education in India – An Overview

(xxxvi) Spurious Drugs

(xxxvii) Tourism Sector in India

(xxxviii) Water Management in India

(xxxix) Weavers' Welfare

(xl) Welfare of Minorities

Information Folders (English and Hindi)

(i) Allocation of Coal Blocks

(ii) Climate Change

(iii) Creation of Telangana State

(iv) Crime Against Women

(v) Cyclone in Odisha

(vi) Defence Preparedness

(vii) Direct Tax Code

(viii) Disaster Management

(ix) FDI in Retail

(x) Food Security

(xi) Indo-US Civil Nuclear Agreement

(xii) Inflation in India

(xiii) Naxal Problem in India

(xiv) Petroleum Prices

(xv) Population Issues

(xvi) President's Address

(xvii) Railway Budget

(xviii) Union Budget

(xix) Women Empowerment

(xx) Women Reservation in Legislative Bodies

Publications

During the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the service updated/revised the following publications: "*President's Rule in the States and Union Territories*" (updated and revised upto 2011); "*Council of Ministers, 1947 to 2011"*; "*Presidential Ordinances*" (revised upto 2009); *"Parliament of India – The Fourteenth Lok Sabha 2004-2009*" which provide an analysis of the business transacted during the term of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; A Fact Sheet titled *India: Some Facts*, containing the latest statistical profile of the demographic, social, political and economic aspects of the country for the use of the members of Indian Parliamentary Delegations visiting other countries and for members of the visiting foreign delegations.

In addition, the Reference Wing, in close association with the Parliament Library, sets up a Reference Desk during Parliamentary Conferences and Seminars to meet the information requirements of the delegates. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, on the occasion of the 20th Conference of Speakers and Presiding officers of the Commonwealth from 4 to 6 January 2010, a Reference Desk was set up at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi to meet the information requirements of the delegates. A Reference Desk was also set up during the 5th South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Speakers Conference held in New Delhi from 9 to 11 July 2011.

The popularity of the Members' Reference Service can be gauged from the marked increase in the number of references received and handled by the Service during the past few years, particularly in the seventies and the eighties. As against 700 references handled in 1970, the number rose to 950 in 1974. The year 1977 witnessed a sudden increase of references which crossed the 1,000 mark for the first time in the history of the Members' Reference Service and stood at 1,120. The year 1978 saw a more than two-fold increase of the figure with the number totaling 2,480. During 1990, a record number of 5,167 references were received and handled. In the years 1995, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2010 and as on September 2011, the number of references received was 4302, 6508, 5116, 5810, 3475, 6681 and 3727 respectively. During the period of Fifteenth* Lok Sabha, 24,964 references were received and handled by the Service.

References from members are received all the year round, during the Session period as well as the inter-Session periods. For instance, out of about 2,900 references dealt with during the entire period of the Fourth Lok Sabha, more than 600 were received and processed during the inter-Session period. During the Fifth Lok Sabha, out of about 4,100 references, the inter-Session period accounted for nearly 950 references. During the Eighth Lok Sabha (1985-1989), the Ninth Lok Sabha (1989-91), the Tenth Lok Sabha (July 1991 to 22 March 1996), the Eleventh Lok Sabha (15 May 1996 to 4 December 1997), and the Twelfth Lok Sabha

*Statistical data pertaining to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha is till 21 February 2014.

(23 March 1998 to 26 April 1999), out of the total number of 20,708, 6650, 23898, 7176 and 5949 references received, as many as 5402, 2,232, 5,385, 1,669 and 1,333, respectively, were disposed of during the inter-Session period. So far as the Thirteenth Lok Sabha was concerned, out of the total number of 23148 references, as many as 3814 references were disposed of during the inter-Session period whereas during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, out of 33,317 references received during its life span as many as 10,609 references were received during the inter-session period. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha out of 24,964 references received as many as 4,513 references were received during the inter-session period. A similar trend has been noticed over the years in the case of 'spot references' as well.

On an average, 60 references were received per day during the Session period during the Twelfth and Thirteenth Lok Sabha. During the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, on an average, 70 references were received per day during the Session period. This is against 45 to 52 references received per day during the Session period during the Eleventh Lok Sabha whereas during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on an average 55 references were received per day during the Session period. A time and motion analysis of references received during the Twelfth and Thirteenth Lok Sabha reveals that as many as 65 per cent of references were for the same day, 30 per cent required within 2 to 3 days, 3 per cent within 4 to 7 days and only 2 per cent for more than seven days. A time and motion analysis of references received during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha reveals that as many as 72 per cent of references were for the same day, 25 per cent required within 2 to 3 days, 2 per cent within 4 to 7 days and only 1 per cent for more than seven days. A time and motion analysis of references received during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha reveals that as many as 81 per cent of references were for the same day, 17 per cent required within 2 to 3 days, 2 per cent within 4 to 7 days and only 1 per cent for more than seven days.

A Subject-wise analysis of references received during the Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Lok Sabha shows that the majority of the references were on economic and financial matters constituting 46 per cent of the total references followed by references on political and social subjects forming 45 per cent of the total references. Legal, constitutional and parliamentary matters constituted 4 per cent, and science, technology and defence 3 per cent and about 2 per cent was on international affairs in the case of Twelfth and Thirteenth Lok Sabha. In the case of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha legal, constitutional and parliamentary matters constituted 5 per cent, and science, technology and defence 3 per cent and international affairs about 3 per cent. A subject-wise analysis of references received during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha shows that the majority of references were on economic and financial matters constituting 45 per cent of the total references followed by references on political and social subjects forming 42 per cent of the total references. Legal, constitutional and parliamentary matters constituted 7 per cent and science, technology and defence 3 per cent. About 3 per cent was on international affairs.

Online Reference Service

Recently, a new website has been developed for providing 'Online Reference Service' to members of Parliament and others. This provides online information on important and burning topics/subjects which the members can retrieve at their end. In addition to the signed requisitions, members can now send their queries online also and get the desired information through e-resources. A large number of occasional papers are now made available on this website and on Intranet in digital format for on-line retrieval by members of Parliament and for use in the Secretariat. The electronic versions of the Reference Notes are also e-mailed to members of both the Houses of Parliament.

LIBRARY SERVICE

The Parliament Library

With its present holdings of about 1.27 million volumes of printed books, Reports, Governmental publications, United Nations reports, Debates, Gazettes and other documents, including periodicals, newspapers and publications brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, the Parliament Library is one of the finest and richest repositories in the country. As many as 85 Indian and Foreign newspapers and 463 periodicals in Hindi, English and other Indian languages are being received regularly in the Parliament Library. The Library caters to the information needs of the members of Parliament and other users, primarily by way of issuing books, reports, debates and other documents, by attending to on-the-spot references, and by providing select bibliographies on various subjects and personalities. During the 14th Lok Sabha, following a decision taken by the then Hon'ble Speaker Shri Somnath Chatterjee, the rich reservoir of knowledge possessed by the Parliament Library was thrown open to the faculty, researchers and students of educational institutions. The library is also consulted by journalists, members and staff of State Legislatures and Foreign Legislatures, officers of Central/State Governments/ Public Sector Undertakings and Statutory Bodies, Indian and Foreign Press Correspondents, etc.

The principal functions of the Parliament Library Division are acquisition, processing, preservation and issue of books, periodicals, reports and other published material received from various sources. The emphasis throughout has been on the concept of building the Library into a dynamic living organism like the great institution of Parliament which it serves, capable of thinking ahead and planning new tools and services to meet the multifarious and growing needs of its special clientele. Parliament Library, in fact, reflects in its acquisition the entire gamut of national activity in its totality.

Books and publications for the Library are selected and acquired from the entire field of human activity relating to almost all subjects with special emphasis, of course, on legislative requirements of members. All branches of human knowledge are thus covered, the only exception being books on specialised and advanced technical subjects, pure science and light fiction.

Books and publications are also received for addition in the Library on complimentary basis, donated by members of Parliament or other individuals and institutions. In addition, books are added on the suggestions from members of Parliament and others. While selecting the books, the Acquisition Section of the Library gives due consideration to the readers' initiative, past demands, changing social needs and anticipated demands for books in the light of forthcoming international and local events.

The procedure for acquisition of new books is so regulated that there is a minimum time-lag between the publication of a book and its actually reaching the Library shelves. The lists of books falling in the core areas are also drawn up on the basis of pre-publication announcements, catalogues and publishers' lists. Important Indian books and topical publications are obtained immediately on their release. Senior Library personnel also visit national and international Book Fairs organized from time to time and select latest books to enrich the Library collections.

Parliament Library permits reputed booksellers to visit the Acquisition Section once a week and supply new books on approval basis. As soon as the local booksellers bring the new arrivals, it is ensured that the books selected fall within the broad pattern of the subjects of interest to the Library. All books thus selected are placed before the Library Committee at their next sitting for consideration and approval.

Parliament Library does not depend only on direct purchase of books and publications for enriching its collections. Under the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, all State Governments are expected to acquire and send copies of all books printed anywhere in India, free of cost to Parliament Library. All Ministries of the Government of India, including their Departments as well as attached and subordinate offices likewise, are required to supply to Parliament Library, copies of all their publications, reports, etc., free of cost. Exchange arrangements are also in operation with numerous governmental and non-governmental institutions in India and abroad for sending all their publications in exchange for publications brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat. Parliament Library is also a depository library for all the unrestricted publications of the United Nations and its allied Agencies.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, 20,571 purchased books and 7,748 books/received under copyright/complimentary were added to the library collection 1,60,100 Government Reports/Publications were also received in the Section. 1102 books were suggested by MPs /Staff and 1,912 books were acquired for Officers/Branches. 10 Meetings of the Library Committee were held during this period.

After a book is acquired and transferred to the Processing Section, it is taken up for cataloguing and classification. The cataloguer first prepares a Shelf List Card, also known as the Master Card. It contains the call number, accession number, name of the author, title of the book, imprint, collation and search keywords. Shelf List cards represent the total holdings of the Library. Members can have access to the catalogue of the Library through the PCs installed at the counters of the Library.

Books and publications are processed and classified according to the Dewey Decimal Classification Scheme (DDCS) (22nd and 23rd ed.). Computerization of all activities of Library was also initiated in 1992 with the adoption of software package called LIBSYS (Library System). It was accordingly decided to re-classify all old books as per the 20th edition of DDC and feed bibliographical details onto the computer. As a result, a Reclassification Unit was set up for this purpose. Again there has been a change and since April 2006, the old books are being re-classified as per the 22nd edition of Dewey Decimal Classification Scheme. The catalogue cards of these old books are also being replaced by the new ones in the 'Shelf List' as well as in 'Author/Title' catalogues. Necessary bibliographical details are also being fed on to the computer to ensure their on-line availability.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha a total of 25,510 English, Hindi and regional language books alongwith 12,853 Government Reports, United Nations and Foreign Publications were processed in the Section.

53 issues of Parliament Library Bulletin were brought out and distributed. Latest issues of the Bulletin were e-mailed to MPs/Officers of Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha.

The Library Catalogue can also be accessed through the 'Parliament of India Homepage' at the Internet Protocol (IP) address: http://parliamentofindia.nic.in. On-line catalogue provides information about author, title, subject and keywords-based searches in order to save the time of the members and other readers for having the requisite information. Subject bibliographies and select lists of publications on various subjects are provided to the members on request.

The *Parliament Library Bulletin*, containing bibliographical details of new additions in the Parliament Library holdings, is brought out by the Processing Section every month for the information of members and other users of the Library. The *Parliament Library Bulletin* is also available on internet on the Parliament of India Homepage.

Specialized Collection

The Parliament Library possesses a rich collection of over a thousand rare books on Politics, Law, History, Art, Painting, Sculpture and Architecture. A book titled *History of Late Revolution of the Great Mogol Empire* by Burnier, published in 1671, is one of the oldest book available in the Parliament Library. Books on Indian art cover a broad canvas of Indian history depicting different stages in its evolution. These include the paintings of the Mughal, Rajput, Kangra, Garhwal and other schools of art. Among the books on foreign art include the creations of celebrated artists like Michaelangelo, Leonardo Da Vinci and Raphael as also works on Chinese and Japanese art and Russian, German, French, American and Arabian paintings.

Another important rare document in the possession of the Parliament Library for over six decades is the original Calligraphed Constitution of India, in Hindi and English. This document, containing the signatures of the founding fathers of the Constitution, is a valuable national document.

Gandhiana

As a mark of respect to the memory of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of the Nation, and to make available all the works by and on the Mahatma at one place, a separate *Gandhiana* Section was opened in the Parliament Library on 9 August 1978. Members and scholars interested in a deeper study and extensive research on the life and works of Mahatma Gandhi have welcomed it, which contains 4295 books by and on Mahatma Gandhi in English, Hindi and various Indian regional languages. These are stacked in Room No. G048 of the Library Building.

Nehruana

The books on and by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India, have been suitably stacked in Room No. G050. The collection contains nearly 1250 books in Hindi, English and various regional languages of India.

Literature on Indian Languages

The Parliament Library has been laying great emphasis on developing its language collections. A separate Wing containing nearly 1,23,000 books in various Indian languages has been carved out in the Library. The languages covered, apart from Hindi and Sanskrit, are: Assamese; Bengali; Bhojpuri; Bodo; Dogri; Gujarati; Kannada; Kashmiri; Konkani; Maithili; Malayalam; Manipuri; Marathi; Nepali; Oriya; Punjabi; Rajasthani; Sindhi; Tamil; Telugu; and Urdu. Concerted efforts are under way to enrich this collection by adding more and more basic standard works in each of these and also other Indian languages.

Of the 463 periodicals received in the Parliament Library, 78 periodicals are in Hindi and 32 periodicals are in other Indian languages.

Library Committee of Parliament

A Library Committee is constituted every year by the Speaker, Lok Sabha, to advise him on all matters concerning the development of Parliament Library. The Committee consists of six members from the Lok Sabha and three from the Rajya Sabha, nominated by the Presiding Officers of the respective Houses. The Deputy Speaker of the Lok Sabha is the *ex-officio* Chairman of the Library Committee. The Library Committee keeps a watch on the quality and quantum of all acquisitions of the Library and gives comments and suggestions to further improve the functioning of the Library and its ancillary services.

Parliament Library Rules

The issue of books and other publications to members is regulated by the Parliament Library Rules, which are framed on the recommendations of the Library Committee of Parliament. These Rules are published separately and can be obtained by members on request. During the 15th Lok Sabha, in all nine meetings of the Committee were held.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha 58,864 books were issued, 44,981 books were received back and 1,69,123 on-the-spot references were attended to.

Library management functions such as acquisition, processing and issue and return of books have been computerized by using the software package-LIBSYS. On-line access of catalogue provides information about author, title, subject and keywords-based searches in order to save the time of the members and readers to have the requisite information. Indexes of important articles published in newspapers and journals and publications of national and international organizations are also available on the Internet. Subject bibliographies and select lists of publications on various subjects are provided to members on request.

Administration and Preservation Section

The Administration and Preservation Section of the Library Division deals with the general administration of the Library, maintenance and preservation of Library holdings, grant of Library facilities to research scholars (Indian and foreign) and the personal staff of members of Parliament, binding of publications training of staff and the acquisition of all Library equipment.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, 1778 persons visited Parliament Library. 59 visits to Parliament Library were arranged and 875 research scholars were granted permission to use Parliament Library facilities.

Acts and Bills Section

The Acts and Bills Section preserves and maintains the records of all the Central Government and State Governments Acts and Ordinances, Government and Private Members' Bills, Central and State Governments Rules, Joint Select Committee Reports, the Constitution of India, Government of India (Allocation of Business Rules) 1961, Foreign Acts of selected countries (as and when received), etc. for reference and use by members of Parliament, researchers and other users. The Section carries out corrections regularly in five copies of Constitution of India, Government of India (Allocation of Business Rules) 1961 and Central Acts as amended from time to time so as to keep them up-to-date. Reports of the Joint/Select Committees (constituted from time to time to review Bills) as presented to the Lok Sabha/ Rajya Sabha since 1921 are maintained.

Copies of all the Central Acts since 1836 are preserved in the Section. The Volumes of India Code, updated copies of Central Acts and Ordinances promulgated by the President of India, received from the Ministry of Law and Justice are also maintained. The Rules, Regulations and Notifications of the Government of India laid on the Table of House, under the Central Acts, are procured from the Table Office and maintained in the Section.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, 215 letters were sent to Ministries/ Departments/ State Governments for supply of Acts/Rules/Notifications etc. and 3,400 Acts/Rules/Notifications were downloaded from legal data base available on Internet. 1,150 corrections/ amendments were carried out in unbound copies of Central Acts, Rules etc. 8,900 Publications were issued and 11,000 references and 120 Research Scholars/Law Interns were attended to. 15,600 copies of Notifications were sorted out and arranged in Folders.

Documentation Service

The Documentation Service, set up in 1975, is primarily responsible for indexing of articles published in various documents, including English and Hindi newspapers, edited books and periodicals received in the Parliament Library that may be of interest to the members of Parliament. The articles selected for a particular fortnight are suitably annotated, assigned subject-headings and fed into the 'Libsys Software'.

Earlier, this information used to be published in a fortnightly, titled 'Documentation Fortnightly' (from January 1975 till December 1988). Later, from January 1989 onwards, it is being published as 'Parliamentary Documentation'. 'Parliamentary Documentation' has been started in Hindi also with the title 'Sansadiya Pralekhan' from August, 2008 onwards.

The indexed articles are retrievable author-wise, title-wise and subject-wise through website of Lok Sabha Home Page for 'Parliamentary Documentation'.

http://164.100.47.134/plibrary/issue.aspx and for 'Sansadiya Pralekhan' the indexed articles are retrievable through

http://164.100.47.132/loksabha_hindi/parliament%20Library/Issue.aspx

Though the Documentation Service is available on the Parliament of India Home Page, the limited copies of computer generated printouts of 'Parliamentary Documentation' *and* 'Sansadiya Pralekhan' are brought out for keeping as record and use by members of Parliament and other users. Bound volumes of 'Documentation Fortnightly' (1975-88), 'Parliamentary Documentation' (1989 onwards) and the 'Sansadiya Pralekhan' (August 2008 onwards) are also kept in the Parliament Library for reference purpose.

The Electronic version of 'Parliamentary Documentation' and 'Sansadiya Pralekhan' are being sent to members of both Houses of Parliament, officers of both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha Secretariats, through e-mail.

Now, the efforts are being made to provide links to view the full text of article wheresoever available for being accessed by the members of Parliament and other users.

Press Clipping Service

The Press Clipping Service was started on a modest scale in the year 1956 with the objective of speedy disposal of references on current topics received from members of Parliament. The scope of the Service has considerably increased over the years. Accordingly, it has now been organized more methodically to serve as an essential tool for reference purposes. The Service collects all important, relevant and up-to-date news items, editorial comments and articles on developments in the legislative, political, economic, socio-cultural, scientific and technological fields.

The clippings are taken from 11 Hindi and 18 English Newspapers published from various parts of the country. Hindi newspapers are — Business Standard, Dainik Jagran, Economic Times, Hindustan, Jan Satta, Nav Bharat Times, Rashtriya Sahara, (all from New Delhi), Aaj (Varanasi); Lokmat Samachar (Nagpur); Punjab Kesari (Panipat); and Rajasthan Patrika (Jaipur). English newspapers include — Asian Age, Business Standard, Economic Times, Financial Express, Hindu Business Line, Hindustan Times, Indian Express, Pioneer, Statesman, The Hindu, Times of India, Tribune (all from New Delhi), Assam Tribune (Guwahati); Deccan Herald (Bangalore); Free Press Journal (Mumbai); Kashmir Times (Jammu); Telegraph (Kolkata) and The Hindu (Chennai).

Press clippings are maintained chronologically in subject folders and stacked in a proper sequence according to a specially devised classification scheme based on the Dewey Decimal Classification Scheme. These folders are not issued out but can be consulted in the Reading Rooms of the Parliament Library and the Press Clipping Section. At present, the Press Clipping Section is housed in the first basement 'K' Block of the Parliament Library Building.

Keeping in view its importance, Press clippings of topical and parliamentary interest are submitted for the perusal of the Hon'ble Speaker, Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, Leader of Opposition, Secretary-General, Secretary and the Additional Secretary every day.

Press clippings are used extensively by members, Research and Reference staff and also by different Branches of both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha Secretariats, particularly the Committee Branches, research scholars visiting the Parliament Library and accredited press correspondents.

The scrutiny of old press clippings is carried out regularly. Most of the press clippings are retained for five years. However, important clippings of everlasting value and those having a bearing on constitutional, parliamentary and legal significance are retained permanently after scrutiny.

In line with the on-going process of computerization of various activities of the Parliament Library, the digitization of the Press Clipping Service has been initiated from June 2011. Images of important press clippings in Hindi and English on topical interest are scanned and uploaded on Lok Sabha Intranet using e-News software. These clippings can be retrieved through classification number, subject, keywords, newspapers and date-wise from the computers connected in Local Area Network (LAN) in the Parliament House Complex.

Gazettes and Debates Section

The Section maintains the debates of the Central Legislative Assembly, Constituent Assembly, Provisional Parliament, Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, State Legislatures and foreign Parliaments (Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Pakistan, U.K. and U.S.A.) and indices of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha debates for reference and research purpose. The Section also maintains the Gazette Notifications of Union and State Governments and Union territories. Apart from this, the Section preserves Original Verbatim reporting of the proceedings of Lok Sabha, synopsis of the proceedings of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha and bound volumes of Papers Laid on the Table are maintained in the Section.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, 14,445 Debates, 17,333 Gazettes and 8,158 Papers Laid on the Table were added to the collection. 25,997 Publications were issued to the users. 19,112 queries and 2167 MPs/ Ex-MPs/Research Scholars were attended to.

The Reprography Service

Set up in 1975, this Service caters to the urgent official needs of the members of Parliament, officers and Branches of the Lok Sabha Secretariat, research scholars and media persons accredited to Lok Sabha Gallery, for photocopying important press clippings, information contained in answers to Parliamentary questions and debates, articles in periodicals and

newspapers and extracts from books and other documents.

Reprography Service has three distinct units, *viz.* (i) Members' Reprography and Typing Unit, Parliament House (ii) Members' Reprography Unit, Parliament Library Building and (iii) Research/Reference Reprography Unit.

(i) ***Members' Reprography and Typing Unit, Parliament House.***

It is located in Room No. 45-A on the ground floor near the Central Hall in Parliament House from where MPs, ex-MPs, Press Correspondents and *bona fide* research scholars can get their documents photocopied against nominal payment of Re.1/- per copy. The Unit also provides facilities for computer typing of personal correspondence/ documents of Members of Parliament in Hindi and English on payment of Rs.6/- per page for single space and Rs.5/- per page for double space. For additional copies of the typed document, Re. 1/- is charged extra for each page.

(ii) ***Members' Reprography Unit, Parliament Library Building (PLB)***

It is operating from Room No. 037, Ground Floor, 'A' Block of PLB from where MPs, Ex-MP's, Press correspondents and *bona fide* research scholars can get their documents photocopied against a nominal payment for Re. 1/- per page.

(iii) ***Research/Reference Reprography Unit***

It operates from First Basement, 'I' Block, Room No. 54, PLB and exclusively caters to the needs of Branches, Officers of the Secretariat and Chairmen of Parliamentary Committees.

Staff Library

As the Parliament Library is primarily meant for the use of members of the two Houses, a separate library for the benefit of the parliamentary staff was set up in the early sixties. The Staff Library caters to the needs of staff members belonging to both the Secretariats. Currently, Staff Library has 3592 members. They are entitled to borrow books from the Library in accordance with the Library rules.

The Staff Library helps in enhancing the reading habits of its members. Books are added to the Library from time to time as per suggestions of the staff. The present holdings of the Staff Library are over 39087. It also receives 14 newspapers (7 English, 5 Hindi; 1 Punjabi; and 1 Urdu) and 27 periodicals (16 English and 11 Hindi) regularly. Nearly 90 new books are added to the Staff Library every month. All Library acquisitions are processed and classified according to the 22nd edition of Dewey Decimal Classification Scheme (DDCS).

In line with ongoing process of computerization of various activities of the Lok Sabha Secretariat, the Staff Library has also been automated. Processing of books has been computerized by using the software package, LIBSYS. On-line access of catalogue provides information about author, title and subject. It also facilitates keywords-based searches.

Books which are old, outdated, not in use, or have become obsolete are withdrawn from the holdings of the Staff Library after approval of the competent authority. These withdrawn books are offered to the officers and staff of the two Secretariats free of cost on first come first serve basis.

Children's Corner

A Children's Corner was inaugurated on 21st August 2007 in Room No. G-131 of the Parliament Library Building during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha. It aims at inculcating the reading habit amongst children between 8-17 years of age, particularly those of under-privileged/marginalized sections of the society by providing them easy access to the vast resources of Parliament Library.

Decorated in a befitting manner, the Children's Corner has in its holdings 1835 books in English, 1500 in Hindi and 100 books in regional languages besides a number of CDs and DVDs pertaining to different subjects. 11 Periodicals/Newsletters of children's interest in Hindi and in English are being regularly subscribed for the Children's Corner. The Corner, which remains open from 11.00 hrs. to 17.30 hrs. on all working days, offers children a warm, colourful and peaceful atmosphere to concentrate on their studies so that to improve their skills. The documents/CDs/DVDs available in the Corner are for consultation/ use in the Library only and are not issued.

Membership of the Children's Corner is open to:

- Children/grand children of members of Parliament and ex-members of Parliament who have obtained membership of the Parliament Library.
- Children of the permanent employees of the Secretariats of Parliament and Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

- Children of the journalists accredited to the Press Gallery of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.
- Children sponsored by the registered NGOs (and authorized by the Director, Parliament Library).
- Children sponsored by recognized schools.

Membership is initially given for a period of 6 months on submission of prescribed form with requisite documents and is renewable on a half yearly basis.

The Children's Corner also has a well-developed Multimedia Centre equipped with Computers with internet facility. Children are encouraged by the Corner staff to make maximum use of computers as an educational tool and assist them in preparing their school projects also.

Special events like writing competitions, drawing competitions, elocution competitions are organized to make the Corner a lively and interactive hub of activity, wherein small groups of children from recognized schools and registered NGOs participate along with the children having membership of the Children's Corner.

Microfilming Unit

Micrographic/Microfilming is an indispensable part of information technology for better management of Library and Information Services all over the world. It has long been an established method for preservation of rare and deteriorating documents. Scientific estimate indicates that the normal life expectancy of the microfilm, with careful handling and storage, is 500 years (approx.) as compared to a short life span of digital media. Microfilming is a legally accepted substitute for the original. In addition, it is protected against viruses or worms and cannot be manipulated by hackers. It also has advantage over digital media in terms of capture cost, media life, technological obsolescence and image quality.

For better preservation and future use of the valuable documents/collections of Parliament and its Library *viz.,* Parliamentary Debates, Papers Laid on the Table, Acts and Bills, Committee Reports, Private Papers, Rare Books and Documents, Newspapers (bound volumes), Press Clippings, Documents of Parliamentary Archives and other documents as decided from time to time by the Secretariat, the Microfilming Unit was set up in 1987 as an integral part of LARRDIS, Lok Sabha Secretariat. The latest available state-of-the-art microfilming equipments and ancillaries were acquired for smooth functioning of the Unit. The Unit is housed in the Parliament Library Building. Microfilms of documents are easily accessible to members of Parliament, Research Scholars and others for their use.

Till July 2012, as many as 1673 microfilm rolls have been prepared and 33,06,526 exposures of various documents have been taken by the Microfilming Unit. During the tenure of the 15th Lok Sabha, following publications/documents have been microfilmed by the Unit:

(i)	Lok Sabha Debates (Hindi)	:	11.05.1993 to 26.02.2009
(ii)	Lok Sabha Debates (English)	:	23.02.2007 to 04.08.2009
(iii)	Rajya Sabha Debates (Hindi)	:	25.04.1995 to 02.06.1995
(iv)	Rajya Sabha Debates (English)	:	10.08.2007 to 25.03.2011

Reports of Departmentally Related Standing Committees

(i)	Committee on External Affairs	:	14th L.S. (11th to 23rd Report) (English)
(ii)	Committee on External Affairs	:	14th L.S. (11th to 23rd Report) (Hindi)

Press and Public Relations Wing

The Press and Public Relations (PPR) Wing, a constituent unit of LARRDIS, was set up in April 1956 to cater to the needs of the Press and provide facilities to enable accredited correspondents to cover the proceedings of Lok Sabha. This Wing also endeavours to establish better liaison with various Government and private publicity organizations and communication media for the publicity of parliamentary and other activities of Lok Sabha. The Wing further deals with all matters concerning the Press Gallery of Lok Sabha including the issue of Press Gallery passes and provision of functional facilities to the correspondents covering the proceedings of the House.

Functions of PPR Wing

One of the important functions of the PPR Wing is issuing of Press Releases on all matters connected with the Sessions of Lok Sabha and of all parliamentary functions, including call-on meetings with the Speaker; Deputy Speaker; Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha; and Secretary General, Lok Sabha, by dignitaries from time to time. Similarly, Press Releases on meetings of Parliamentary Committees, Parliamentary Conferences, visits of foreign Parliamentary Delegations to India and of Indian Parliamentary Delegations to other countries are also issued by the Wing.

The Wing is also entrusted with the tasks of organizing all Press Conferences of Speaker/Deputy Speaker/Chairpersons of Parliamentary Committees, and meetings of the Speaker/Deputy Speaker/Secretary-General with correspondents accredited to the Press Gallery.

During International Parliamentary Conference(s)/ Seminar(s)/ Symposia held in New Delhi, a separate Media Centre is set up for providing functional facilities to the media persons.

Photographs of newly-elected Members of Lok Sabha are collected by this Wing for inclusion in the Lok Sabha "Who's Who" and for other in-house purposes soon after the constitution of every new Lok Sabha. A temporary studio is set up by the Wing for this purpose.

Photo Chart of Members of Lok Sabha

For easy identification of Members in the House by the Presiding Officer, a Chart showing Members' photographs and their names, party affiliations and Division Numbers is prepared by this Wing which is placed on the Table of the Speaker in the Chamber and for use by the Officers of the House.

Information Folders

With the objective of wider dissemination of knowledge about the working of parliamentary institutions, handy information folders on important parliamentary activities and various aspects of parliamentary practices and procedures are brought out by this Wing. Sets of these Folders are distributed to the Members of Parliament, Press correspondents, visiting dignitaries from India and abroad and others.

Parliament Calendars

Since 1999, Lok Sabha Calendars are brought out by this Wing every year containing photographs on different themes for distribution to Members of Parliament, dignitaries, media persons and others. The themes included in the Calendars each year are:—

1999 — Paintings in Parliament House.

2000 — Portraits of National Leaders in the Central Hall of Parliament House.

2001 — Statues of National Leaders installed in Parliament House.

2002 — State Legislature Buildings.

2003 — Important Places inside Parliament House Complex.

2004 — Presidential Processions (from 1st to 13th Lok Sabha).

2005 — Important Places in Parliament Library Building.

2006 — Paintings in Parliament House.

2007 — Parliament Museum.

2008 — Parliament Honours Cultural Ambassadors.

2009 — Glimpses of Parliament House Complex.

2010 — Greenery in Parliament House.

2011 — Paintings in Parliament House.

2012 — Our Parliament (Old and rare photographs of Parliament House).

2013 — The People's Parliament – The Workforce.

2014 — Parliament: The Voice of the People.

Facilities Provided to Media Persons

This Wing provides all functional facilities to the correspondents covering Parliament. These facilities include three Press Rooms in Parliament House, supply of parliamentary papers, daily agenda, Committee Reports, Papers laid on the Table of the House, etc.

A separate Work Station for media persons with 10 computers along with internet connection, one TV set and a telephone connection has been provided in the Parliament Library Building to enable them to file stories on parliamentary proceedings, events and activities. Photocopy and local fax facilities for functional use are also available to media persons free of cost. The facility

of simultaneous interpretation of the proceedings of Parliament is available to correspondents in the Press Galleries of both the Houses.

All accredited correspondents to the Lok Sabha Press Gallery are now provided Radio Frequency Tags for a year by the Secretariat. Temporary passes for a period of 10 days in a Session are issued to media persons of newspapers and news agencies. Apart from this, passes are issued to the correspondents of All India Radio and Doordarshan and to the correspondents of private electronic media to cover various parliamentary functions and activities.

Large screen television sets have been provided in the Press Gallery and in the Press Rooms to enable journalists to watch the proceedings of both the Houses which are now being telecast live through two dedicated satellite channels, one each for the Rajya Sabha and the Lok Sabha.

In order to keep Members of Parliament posted with the latest developments in the country and abroad, particularly during the Sessions of Parliament, English and Hindi teleprinters, serviced by national news agencies, have been installed in Parliament House/ Parliament Library Building.

Other functional facilities provided to the accredited correspondents include consulting books/reports/ documents in the Parliament Library, medical facilities in the Parliament House/Parliament House Annexe and canteen facilities in the Parliament precincts.

Press Advisory Committee

Admission of Newspapers, Press Correspondents and other Media to the Press Gallery of Lok Sabha increase in the quota of Press Gallery Pass and allotment of seats in the Press Gallery is regulated on the basis of recommendations of the Press Advisory Committee which is constituted by the Speaker of Lok Sabha every year. The Committee consists of 27 senior correspondents accredited to the Lok Sabha Press Gallery which includes four office-bearers, *i.e.* Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary and Joint Secretary. The PPR Wing provides secretarial assistance to the Committee by organizing its meetings and taking necessary action on its recommendations.

Research Fellowships

Research Fellowships for writing books – three in Hindi and two in English – and Fellowships for writing Monographs – three in Hindi and two in English – every year have been instituted by the Lok Sabha Secretariat with a view to promote original studies on matters of parliamentary interest. A Fellowship Committee is appointed by the Speaker for this purpose. The Committee is assisted in its work by the PPR Wing.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, the Section dealt with 358 requests for accreditation/admission of Media Organization and their representatives in the Lok Sabha Press Gallery. 20 Meetings of the Press Advisory Committee, 24 Meetings of Sub-Committee of the Press Advisory Committee and 9 Meetings of the Fellowship Committee were held. 909 Press Releases were issued and hard copies received from the Committee Branch were distributed among Media Persons. 1807 reference information (Oral and photocopies) were supplied. In addition 1,739 Radio Frequency Tags were issued/renewed. 2,142 Sessional Press Gallery Passes, 1,123 Temporary Press Gallery Passes, 2,006 General Duty Passes for the support staff of newspapers/news agencies, 396 passes to officials of Doordarshan/AIR and 2,170 passes to Cameramen accredited to the PIB to cover various functions were issued.

Audio-Visual Unit

The Audio-Visual Unit which was set up in 1992 is responsible for the preservation of all available audio-video records of parliamentary proceedings, LSTV Programmes and other parliamentary functions such as the proceedings of national and International Parliamentary Conferences/Seminars/Symposia/Workshops, parliamentary films, etc. Members can view and listen to these audio-video records in the Members' Viewing Room set up in the Audio-Visual Unit. It also looks after the work of selection and collection of audio-visual materials, accession, and classification of these cassettes. Arrangements have also been made for dubbing of speeches of members and LSTV Programmes into VCDs/DVDs on nominal payment basis. These records have got immense archival value for the parliamentarians, media persons, scholars, academicians and all other users of the library.

The Audio-Visual Unit has acquired Language Learning Courses in various Indian and foreign languages and has also added to its holding audio-cassettes pertaining to classical/instrumental music and patriotic songs for use at various parliamentary functions. The following Language Learning Courses (audio and video cassettes) are available for listening/viewing in the Viewing Room

Audio-Cassettes

- Language learning courses for learning Hindi language through English;

- Hindi language learning course through commentaries in Assamese, Bengali, English, Kannada, Malayalam, Oriya, Tamil and Telugu;
- Language Learning Course for learning English language through Hindi;
- Language learning courses in Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu through English;
- Language learning courses in 23 foreign languages, *viz.*— Arabic, Chinese, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Icelandic, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Malay, Norwegian, Persian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Serbo-Croatian, Spanish and Swedish through English.

Video-Cassettes

Language Learning Courses in four foreign languages, *viz.* French, German, Italian and Spanish through English.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, Audio Visual Unit has made video coverage of 81 important parliamentary functions. 1434 cassettes of Lok Sabha proceedings and 9642 cassettes of LSTV programmes have been got recorded. 5791 DVDs containing recordings of Lok Sabha Proceedings, Parliamentary functions and LSTV Programmes have been prepared and supplied to members and others on payment and complimentary basis. Amount of Rs 5,27,875/- has been collected against the DVDs supplied on payment basis. 15012 recorded cassettes were accessioned. In order to facilitate quick retrieval details of 21361 recorded cassettes of LSTV Programmes have been fed into the software "Video Tapes Management System". 21272 blank cassettes and DVDs were procured. 16320 blank/ recorded cassettes were issued to LSTV officials for recording/telecasting and other official purposes. Arrangements have been made to play Audio cassettes/ DVD(s) of speeches, patriotic songs and music during floral tributes paid in the central Hall on the occasion of birth anniversaries of national leaders. A total of 1340 viewings of the recordings of Parliamentary Proceedings, LSTV programmes and other functions/events were arranged for members of Parliament and other users.

Lok Sabha Television Channel(LSTV)

A landmark was achieved in the history of telecasting of parliamentary proceedings when the Lok Sabha Speaker, in consultation with Leaders of political parties represented in the Lok Sabha, decided that the Lok Sabha should have its own Television Channel, independent of Doordarshan. Accordingly, a Transmission Room and a Studio was set up in the Parliament Library Building from where the live proceedings of the Lok Sabha received from the production Control Room in Parliament House through Optical Fibre Connectivity and programmes recorded in the Studio are being transmitted. A sophisticated robotic camera system with a studio set up in Parliament House for the live telecast of the complete proceedings of Parliament had become operational with effect from the Winter Session of Parliament in 1997 and, after the inception of the Lok Sabha Television (LSTV) Channel, the Production Control Room was upgraded by the High Definition Technology Equipment from the Monsoon Session of 2007. There are ten robotic cameras which are operated by remote control from the state-of-the-art studio set up in Parliament House. The televised proceedings of the Lok Sabha are properly captioned/ titled through the Modern Graphics System, also installed in Parliament House. Since 11 May, 2006, besides the live telecast of the Lok Sabha proceedings, several programmes are being telecast on the Lok Sabha Television Channel. The LSTV became functional as a 24 hour Channel from 24 July 2006 with various value-added, interesting and informative programmes.

In addition to the live telecast of proceedings of the Lok Sabha and other significant events in Parliament, such as the Address of the President to both Houses of Parliament sitting together at the commencement of the first Session of each year, the Channel also features various informative, interactive and substantial value-added programmes of general interest on issues relating to democracy and governance, social, economic and constitutional issues of citizens' concerns.

Reach of the Lok Sabha Television

Lok Sabha Television has a wide reach cutting across regions, age, gender, etc. Distributors have been appointed all over India at the regional level to ensure that the Lok Sabha Satellite Television Channel (LSTV) is carried by all Cable operators across the country. Amendments in the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 have been made, making it compulsory for each cable operator in the nation to carry LSTV on their cable network.

Lok Sabha Television as a Public Broadcaster

The Lok Sabha Television works on the principles of a public broadcaster so as to cater to the masses and to that section of the nation which is interested in the day to day working of Parliament, debates on social issues, discussions on international affairs, views of visiting dignitaries, documentaries on culture and issues of common man, etc. In pursuance of these objectives,

a very nominal fee is charged from private television networks who show interest to telecast/broadcast the proceedings live/recorded or to use the recorded excerpts/footage of parliamentary proceedings, by allowing them to use the feed on certain terms and conditions. However, Doordarshan is allowed to use all footage free of any charge.

Parliamentary Museum and Archives

The Parliamentary Archives of Photographs and Films was set up by the Lok Sabha Secretariat in 1976 as part of the Parliament Library and Reference, Research, Documentation and Information Service (LARRDIS), with the objective of preserving an authentic and up-to-date pictorial record of the history of the Indian Parliament, its activities and eminent personalities associated with it. On 1 August 1984, the General Purposes Committee of the Lok Sabha approved a proposal for setting up the Parliamentary Museum and Archives (PMA), with the idea of preserving the past and the present for the future by protecting from the ravages of time and neglect, all the precious records, historic documents and articles connected with the Constitution and Parliament and through them to make the history and growth of parliamentary institutions and the political system better understood by the people.

The PMA was inaugurated by Shri Rabi Ray, the then Speaker of Lok Sabha, on 29 December 1989.

The PMA, which is located in the First and Second basements of the Parliament Library Building, at present has four distinct Sections:

(i) Museum Section

The Museum Section has been entrusted with the task of acquisition and preservation of rare objects, artefacts, art works, models, portraits, antiques and other objects connected with the evolution and functioning of parliamentary institutions in India and abroad.

The Section has in its collection impressive models and photographs of Legislature buildings of Indian States and Union territories and foreign Parliament buildings, charts, illustrations, objects, photographs, etc. relating to parliamentary institutions during the pre and post-Independence period. Besides, the Section preserves portraits and photographs of distinguished freedom fighters and eminent parliamentarians which have been unveiled from time to time in Parliament. Some of the portraits are displayed in the Parliament Museum. Gifts and mementoes received by Parliament of India from State Legislatures, foreign Parliaments, visiting Delegations and during various Conferences are also preserved in this Section. At present, there are about 900 such items in the collection of Museum Section and a number of these artefacts are displayed in the Parliament Museum.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, 170 Museum/ Gift Items were added to the existing collection.

(ii) Archives Section

This Section is concerned with the acquisition, storage, systematic cataloguing and preservation of precious records, private papers of parliamentarians, historical documents and documentary material for promotion and dissemination of research and other literary activities in the field of parliamentary democracy. The Section also has a collection of publications on constitutional developments and parliamentary activities and books on and by Speakers of Lok Sabha, members of Parliament and Secretaries-General.

The Archives Section presently has a collection of documents, private papers, correspondence, notes and photographs of 84 eminent Parliamentarians and freedom fighters which are connected with their parliamentary work and related matters and also about 700 books on Constitution, parliamentary activities, parliamentarians and museum. The Section has about 1319 stamps and 158 First Day Covers on freedom fighters, distinguished parliamentarians and parliamentary conferences issued by the Department of Posts from time to time and also stamps of various countries of the world.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, 1,488 private papers and 6 books of 32 Ex MPs were scrutinized. 340 papers were selected for Microfilming. 77 new books were added to the collection. 1,110 stamps were filed in the albums according to accession number.

(iii) Photographs Section

The Photographs Section acquires, preserves, catalogues and displays photographs concerning parliamentary activities, including those relating to Indian Parliamentary Delegations visiting foreign countries and foreign Parliamentary Delegations visiting India.

The Section maintains an up-to-date pictorial record of the activities of Parliament and of eminent parliamentarians and its present collection has about 18,000 photographs, most of which have been digitized for better preservation and quick retrieval.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha, 11,242 photographs of important parliamentary events/ eminent parliamentarians were received and 5,310 approved photographs were added to the collection. From the 180 photo albums received from Conference Branch 140 albums were scanned. 6,906 photographs were procured for supply on demand to different Branches of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, LSTV Channel, Hon'ble Speaker's Office, Dignitaries and various institutions on demand. 2,716 soft copies of photographs were e-mailed. 17,500 photographs were digitized.

(iv) Exhibition Section

The PMA endeavours to organize for members of Parliament and the general public, exhibitions on various themes in various parts of India and abroad, depicting the ancient democratic heritage of India and its growth and development into a modern democratic institution. The exhibitions broadly comprise of photographs, statistical charts, diagrams, write-ups, quotations, short films, audio-visual presentations and computer interactive programmes.

As part of the Orientation Programme for the newly-elected members of the 15th Lok Sabha, an Exhibition titled *Parliamentary Democracy in India: Marching Ahead* was set up by the PMA in Parliament House Annexe in July, 2009. The Exhibition showcased the growth of parliamentary democracy in our country with the help of textual write-ups, Press clippings, photographs, statistical charts and computer multi-media programmes.

During the 20th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC) in January, 2010, an Exhibition titled *Parliamentary Democracy in India: An Overview* was organized by the PMA at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, The Exhibition focused on the functioning of parliamentary democracy in India and depicted its various facets, especially the functioning of the Lok Sabha. The activities of the CSPOC were also showcased along with briefs on member countries.

During the 4th Conference of India and Asia Regions of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) at Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly, Raipur, a two-day Exhibition titled *Democracy and Development: An Asian Perspective* was organized in October, 2010. The Exhibition depicted an overview of the functioning of the Indian Parliament and developmental challenges being confronted by Asian countries. It also highlighted bilateral legislative relations of India with member countries with the help of photographs, write-ups, charts, graphs, Press clippings and films.

Exhibitions were also organized by the PMA to coincide with the Conferences of Presiding Officers and Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India, at Bhopal in February 2010, at Srinagar in June 2010, and at Jaipur in September 2011 on *Democracy in India: From Past to Present; Legislatures in India—The Pillars of Democracy; and Parliamentary Democracy in India: A Historical Perspective*, respectively.

On the occasion of the 7th Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament, an Exhibition titled *Empowerment of Women in India* was set up in Parliament Museum on 3 and 4 October 2012. The Exhibition provided valuable insights into the status of women's empowerment in India with the help of computer multimedia programmes, photographic exhibits, write-ups, quotations and statistical charts. Special focus was laid on the various policies and programmes of the Government aimed at the advancement of women's welfare.

An Exhibition titled *Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in India* was organized by the PMA during the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) India Region Seminar in Parliament House Annexe on 8 and 9 March 2013. The Exhibition included a number of exhibits depicting the Constitutional and legal framework in India concerning women and also the various policies, programmes and institutional mechanisms for women's welfare and showcased women's empowerment in various spheres in the country.

During the period of 15th Lok Sabha a total of 8 Exhibitions were organized.

Digitization of Parliament Library holdings

In line with the ongoing digitization of library activities and to enhance access to information and knowledge, a one member committee was constituted by the Hon'ble Speaker to undertake a project for developing a digital depository of the Parliament Library to be accessed by Members of Parliament and other users. The project has been undertaken in cooperation

with National Informatics Centre(NIC), Ministry of Communications and Information Technology. Apart from digitizing Parliament Library's documents, efforts have been made to acquire as much documents available with various Ministries and other organizations in born digital form as well as by copying from their Servers and to upload them on the web portal of Parliament Library. All the Ministries have been requested to provide the soft copies of each Paper laid on the Table of both Houses of Parliament by them. Besides, they have also been requested to get the important documents available with them in printed form, digitized at their end and provide soft copies to Parliament Library so that the documents could be uploaded on the proposed website of Digital Library of Parliament. In response to this, important documents such as General Budget Speeches of Finance Ministers from 1952 till date; Railway Budget Speeches of Railway Ministers from 1952 till date; e-books/Committee/Commission Reports from Ministry of Culture; Annual plans/policies from Planning Commission have so far been uploaded on this portal.

As regards the digitization of old documents of the library, it has been decided to digitize the reports of all Parliamentary Committees since First Lok Sabha to Twelfth Lok Sabha and make them available on the Internet. The reports from 13th Lok Sabha are already available on the website of Parliament of India. Besides, the debates of First Lok Sabha to Eleventh Lok Sabha will also be digitized and uploaded on the Internet. The project has been undertaken in coordination with Ministry of Communications and Information Technology and Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC).

Website of Parliament Library

A separate webpage (http://164.100.47.134/plibrary/Home.htm) has been developed for Parliament Library and the information pertaining to different branches of LARRDIS is incorporated therein, and Links to various heads are provided to the information available on the Home-page.

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Exhibition 'Parliamentary Democracy in India: Marching Ahead', organized on the occasion of the Orientation Programme for the Newly Elected Members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Parliament House Annexe, 6 July 2009

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Exhibition 'Parliamentary Democracy in India : An overview', organized during the 20th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 5 January 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Exhibition 'Democracy in India : From Past to Present', organized during the Conference of Presiding Officers and Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India, Madhya Pradesh, 3 February 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Exhibition on 'Democracy and Development : An Asian Perspective' held in Raipur, Chhattisgarh, 26 October 2010.

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, releasing the Book *'Honouring National Leaders – Statues and Portraits in Parliament Complex'*, brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, at a function held in Parliament Library Building on 2 June 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Exhibition 'Parliamentary Democracy in India : A Historical Perspective', organized during the 76th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India held in Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha Bhawan, 21 September 2011

The then President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, releasing the book *'Sixty Years of Lok Sabha: A Study'*, brought out by Lok Sabha Secretariat, at the function held in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 13 May 2012 to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of 1st Sitting of Lok Sabha

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Exhibition 'Empowerment of Women in India', organized on the occasion of the Seventh Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament on 'Gender Sensitive Parliaments' held in Parliament Library Building on 2 October 2012

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PARLIAMENT LIBRARY INFORMATION SYSTEM*

In a parliamentary system, the representatives of the people need objective, factual and timely information. The Parliament of India has taken several significant measures towards developing Information and Communication Technology to assist parliamentarians in the effective and meaningful discharge of their duties.

For the purpose of introducing automation in Parliament Library, a computer-based information retrieval system named PARLIS (Parliament Library Information System) was started in December 1985 with the help of the National Informatics Centre (NIC). Initially, it was an index-based database of select Parliamentary Questions, Parliamentary Debates, Legislative Bills, Bio-profiles of MPs, Decisions/Observations made by the Speaker, etc. to meet instant reference requirements of members of the two Houses of Parliament. Later, all the databases were converted into full text databases in Web-enabled format wherein full text of the verbatim reports of Parliamentary Debates, Answers given by Ministries in response to Parliamentary Questions, Reports submitted by Parliamentary Committees, Speeches made by the Speaker of Lok Sabha on various occasions, etc. were made available on the Parliament of India Homepage at *http://parliamentofindia.nic.in* and *http://loksabha.nic.in.*

Parliament of India Homepage: The Parliament of India Homepage was inaugurated by Dr. Shanker Dayal Sharma, the then President of India on 15th March 1996. Since then, the Homepage has become an important source of information and reference tool on matters relating to the Constitution as well as the Parliament. At present, separate websites of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha are being maintained by the respective Secretariats and are linked to the Parliament of India Homepage.

The web page of the Lok Sabha is periodically redesigned to facilitate easy access of information to the users. The data released on the website is organized logically through user-friendly drop-down menus. Navigation of information across the pages is also available. The major components of parliamentary information now available on the Lok Sabha Homepage (http://loksabha.nic.in) are:—

(i) **Members:** contains alphabetical, State-wise, party-wise lists of members, nominated members, details of women members, vacancies, contact addresses and e-mail addresses etc.

(ii) **Business:** contains information relating to the Business of the House, Bulletins, List of Private Members' Business, Special Mentions and Resume of Work done during each Session.

(iii) **Questions:** contains Ballot List, Questions List, Status of Notices of Questions, Text of Questions and Answers from February 2000 onwards/and Supplementary Questions and Answers from July 2000 onwards.

(iv) **Debates:** contains text of the daily Debates, Synopsis of Debates, Constituent Assembly Debates and Debates with various search facilities from March 1998 (12th Lok Sabha*)* onwards. The uncorrected debate is made available on the Homepage on hourly basis and the text of the full day debate is also available on the same day or next day.

(v) **Legislation:** contains text of Government/Private Members Bills introduced in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha. Title-wise, Member/Ministry-wise, category-wise search options are available for these. The texts of debates held in the Lok Sabha on a particular Bill and Gazette notifications of Bills, date of Introduction/passing of the Bill in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha, Date of the Bill referred to Committee, reports presented and the list of Bills pending with Committees are also available.

(vi) **Committees:** Information on the Composition, Chairperson; Membership, Subjects selected, Reports, Schedules, Bills Referred, Press Releases, etc. of all the Financial, Department-related, Standing, *Ad hoc* and Inquiry Committees is available.

*Contributed by the Computer Management Branch (Software Unit).

(vii) **Parliamentary Forums:** Information relating to the Parliamentary Forums is provided.

(viii) **Conference:** Information pertaining to Conferences organized, activities of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Cell and the India Group of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) is provided.

(ix) **Secretariat:** contains Organization Chart, Recruitment Rules, Recruitment results/and Publications available on Sale, Tenders issued by Lok Sabha Secretariat, etc.

In addition, general information about Parliament, Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Lok Sabha, Directions by the Speaker, Government of India Manual on Parliamentary Work, Government Instructions on dealings with MPs and Virtual Tour of Parliament House and Parliament Library are available on the Home Page. Links to Legislative Bodies in India; Rajya Sabha; other Parliaments; Inter-Parliamentary Union; Commonwealth Parliamentary Association; President of India; Prime Minister; Ministries; States and Union territories; Election Commission and Supreme Court and High Courts have also been provided under the icon Legislative Sites, Judicial/Legal Sites and Official Sites.

Members' Homepage: The Member's Homepage contains alphabetical, State-wise, party-wise lists of members, nominated members, details of women members, vacancies, contact addresses and e-mail addresses. Bio-datas of the members, their participation in parliamentary proceedings, Questions, Bills and Resolutions, Member's attendance chart is also available on Members' Homepage. Various search options in the database are also available. Information pertaining to the consolidated list of Members (First to Fifteenth Lok Sabha) indicating Lok Sabha experience and biographical sketches of Members from the First Lok Sabha onwards too are available on the Home Page.

Lok Sabha Speaker's Homepage (http://speakerloksabha.nic.in): A separate Homepage has been developed for the Lok Sabha Speaker which, *inter alia,* contains the profile of the Speaker, political and personal achievements of the Speaker, role of the Speaker, events attended, speeches of the Speaker and Press Releases. Besides, the profiles of all the former Speakers along with their respective terms of office are available in this section.

Parliament Museum Website (http://parliamentmuseum.org/indextry.html): The interactive

website of the Parliament Museum was launched by the then Speaker of the Lok Sabha on 19 December 2007. The website tells the story of India's democratic heritage spanning over 2500 years. This story is woven with the help of walk-through period settings with sound-light-video animation, large-screen interactive computer multi-media, animatronics, and impressive visualization with multi-screen panoramic projection. The user can take part in a quiz on Indian democracy, choose picture post-cards and e-mail and make suggestions or ask questions to the Museum.

Parliament Library Website *(http://164.100.47.134/plibrary/home.htm):* This website provides information relating to the Parliament Library collections, new additions to the Library, E-Resources, and various services available to Members of Parliament. Members can access catalogue of the Library through the website. Latest Press clippings as well as Press clippings on various subjects can be obtained from the website. Reference Notes on topics of current subjects which are useful for members in their participation in Debates are also available on the website.

Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training (BPST) Website *(http://bpst.nic.in):* A separate website has been developed for the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training which contains information relating to Orientation Programmes, Lectures by eminent scholars, Courses, Seminars for Members, Training Programmes, Lok Sabha Internship Programme and Study Visits/Tours for Government Officials. It also provides information relating to Appreciation Courses organized for Probationers of All India Services, International Training Programmes for Parliamentary and Government Officials, etc. Information pertaining to events held, number of participants and forthcoming Programmes is also available on the website.

Lok Sabha Television Channel (LSTV) website *(http://loksabhatv.nic.in):* A separate website for LSTV has been developed which contains programme schedule of LSTV, information on various popular programmes, parliament diary, interviews, documentaries, House highlights, etc. Besides this, 24 hour Lok Sabha TV webcast is also available.

Legislative Bodies in India Website *(http://legislativebodiesinindia.nic.in)*: Legislative Bodies in India website was developed and launched on 8 October, 2004. Besides, photographs of Parliament and State Legislatures along with those of the President of India and Governors of the States, the site contains information on evolution, role and functions of Legislative Bodies and brief profiles of Presiding Officers, *viz.* Speakers/Deputy Speakers, and Chairmen of Legislative Bodies in India together with their photographs. The webpages of each State contains the link to its State Legislative Assembly website; other State Governments' websites can also be accessed under the icon 'More Information'. The website also contains information about the dates, venues and aims and objectives of various Presiding officers Conferences held so far.

Digital Library: A Digital Library of electronic publications on DVDs, CDs, tapes and floppies was set up in 1997 to cater to the information needs of members of Parliament and officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat. The Digital Library collection is being developed keeping in view the core areas of interest of members and latest technological advances. The collection can be accessed through the Local Area Network (LAN) or through http://164.100.24.230. A member is entitled to borrow two DVDs/CDs at a time for reference and use.

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RIGHT TO INFORMATION (RTI)*

Information is the lifeblood of a democracy. Without adequate access to key information about government policies and programs, citizens and parliamentarians cannot make informed decisions and incompetent or corrupt governments can be hidden under a cloak of secrecy.

–Lawrence Martin, *Harperland: The Politics of Control*

Introduction

Nearly 93 countries around the world have adopted Right to Information (also known as Freedom to Information, FOI) Laws. Even the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has emphasised that democratic governance involves public debate and open decision-making; hence, the organization of interest groups, the free exchange of ideas, opinions and information is essential. Addressing the information and communication needs of the poor is also essential - the poor often lack information that is vital to their lives — information on basic rights and entitlements, information on public services, health, education, employment etc. They also lack visibility and voice to enable them to define policy priorities and access resources.

In India, the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005 has completed 8 years of its existence. It has been hailed as a sunshine law and the only law in the country which empowers its citizens to have a direct interface with various Public Authorities, as defined in the Act, in seeking information on almost every aspects, barring some (as contained in the Sections 8 & 9 of the Act), bringing in transparency and accountability in their respective spheres of functioning.

Implementing the RTI Act in the Lok Sabha Secretariat

In order to implement the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005, in the Lok Sabha Secretariat, in terms of the provisions of Section 5 and 19 of the RTI Act, 2005, a Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) and an Appellate Authority, were appointed in November 2005 with the approval of the then Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Somnath Chatterjee. The Information Cell came into existence on 14 November 2005. Subsequently, a Central Assistant Public Information Officer was also appointed. In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) (i), (ii) and (iii) of section 28 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (22 of 2005), the Speaker (the Competent Authority) *vide* G.S.R. 747 (E) made 'the Lok Sabha Secretariat Right to Information (Regulation of Fee and Cost) Rules, 2005' on 27 December 2005, as amended *vide* G.S.R. 426 (E) on 12 June 2007. The Information Cell gives the secretarial assistance both to the CPIO and the First Appellate Authority and is the nodal agency for the processing and the dissemination of information. All the RTI applications, First Appeals and other RTI related matters are dealt with by the Cell.

Parliamentary Information

Parliament is the highest Legislative body of this country. To a large extent Parliamentary information is also quite unique and different from the Government/ executive information which concerns/affects the life and daily activities of the citizens individually or collectively in different spheres of life. Parliamentary information is about Parliamentary system *viz.*, working of the Committees, the House, Debates, Questions, Legislative Business, Research work, administrative functioning, Parliamentary Heritage and most importantly the duties, responsibilities and powers and privileges of the House and the Speaker, derived from various Articles of the Constitution of India *viz.*, 98, 105, 118, 122 etc., and Practice and Procedure evolved during the last 60 years.

Understanding of Parliamentary Practices and Procedures through the prism of RTI Act (Read transparency and accountability) is the latest challenge before the Parliament. There is an ever-increasing quest among the citizens of the country to know more about Parliament, its functioning, the extent of transparency, accountability in decision-making process. Towards this end, the Information Cell have identified various issues/ ideas under the headline "RTI and Parliament" that need

*Contributed by the Information Cell, Lok Sabha Secretariat.

detailed consideration. They had also suggested holding a conference on this theme. The Speaker had in-principle agreed to this. The issues/ideas are as follows:

1. Concept of Transparency Laws worldwide evolved through various Constitutional Provisions/Charters/ Conventions.
2. Functioning of Parliament and State Legislatures under RTI Regime—Impediments and Accomplishments.
3. Transparency in Working of Parliament of India *vis-à-vis* its Counterparts in the Countries all over the World where Transparency Laws are in Place.
4. Role of Media in Reporting Parliament.
5. Legislative Outreach in Seeking Transparency and Accountability in Executive Functioning under RTI Regime.
6. Impact of RTI Act on the Functioning of the House and Lok Sabha Secretariat: An Overview.
7. Public Perception about the Working of Parliament under RTI Regime.
8. Parliamentary Privileges and Transparency.
9. RTI a Substitute for Parliamentary Question for MPs?
10. How RTI Act can complement the Parliamentary Question.
11. Parliamentary Committee Proceedings and Records and Transparency.
12. Working of Parliament – Responding to the Concept of Citizens' Charter.
13. Parliamentary Research Work – Concept/ Areas of Research/How MPs are Benefiting, Bringing them in Public Domain.
14. Transparency in Recruitment Process.
15. Transparency in Administrative Matters in Lok Sabha Secretariat – Special Emphasis on Decision Making and Redressal of Grievances.
16. Cost of Running of Parliament.
17. Parliamentary Heritage – Awareness among Public.
18. Buildings and Infrastructure.
19. Transparency in Parliamentary Legislative Business.
20. Record keeping, especially salaries, TA/DA, facilities, Assets of MPs, etc.
21. LSTV as Transparency Vehicle.
22. Level of Compliance of CIC Orders and DoPT Guidelines on the RTI Law and Rules.
23. Framing of replies to the Points of Applications.

RTI during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha (2009-2014)

The duration of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha is also the most active period in the evolution of the Act and its functioning as the citizens of this country have increasingly shown the urge to know more and more, making the function of this Secretariat more transparent and paving way for the *suo motu* disclosure of information. This is amply clear in the table given below. It shows that while there were 814 RTI applications received in 2009, the beginning of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, it rose to 1800 in 2013. Simultaneously, the number of First Appeals and Second Appeals during 2009-2014 also show some trends. While there were 211 First Appeals and 49 Second Appeals in 2012 out of 1616 RTI applications received, it decreased to 164 First Appeals and 25 Second Appeals in 2013 out of total 1800 applications. It may be worthwhile to mention here that no strictures/penalty has yet been imposed on the Lok Sabha Secretariat.

Work done during the Calendar Years 2009-2014 (till date of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Year	Number of applications processed and information disseminated	Number of First Appeals processed	Number of Second Appeals/ CIC Hearings	Miscellaneous Applications/PUCs (not under RTI Act)
1	2	3	4	5
2009	814	60	23	24
2010	1121	102	14	33

1	2	3	4	5
2011	1510	136	18	36
2012	1616	211	49	22
2013	1800	164	25	27
2014 (As on 03.04.2014)	648	09	07	09

Disseminating Information: *Pursuing RTI Objectives*

Dissemination of information under RTI Act is twofold. First is the *suo moto* dissemination of information, which has been made obligatory upon the Public Authorities by Section 4 of the Act. This is complied with by the respective Branches of Lok Sabha Secretariat under the guidance of their Divisional Heads. The homepage of Lok Sabha *i.e.* **loksabha.nic.in** has listed several links for this purpose on the left side of the page and these are kept updated by the respective Branches.

Secondly, information is disseminated in response to the RTI application received from the individual applicants. Information Cell is the nodal Branch for this purpose. It receives the applications, forward them to the concerned Division/s, collate information and finally supplies it to the applicant. The supply of information is done by post as well as in electronic format. The applicants are directly sent the reply in their postal addresses. At the same time, information sought by them are also uploaded on the website **10.21.192.57/rti_new/login.aspx**. Lok Sabha Secretariat is at the forefront in implementing various guidelines issued by the DoPT and placing information in public domain through *suo motu* disclosure.

Conclusion

Lok Sabha Secretariat is one of the leading and most active public authorities in India to introduce the most possible transparent method of disclosing the overall details of the RTI applications and replies thereof on its website for the use of general public. During hearings, the CIC have time and again commended the Secretariat's efforts in this regard and even of the some of the RTI activists have appreciated the constant labour put in by this Secretariat in the realisation of the purpose the RTI Act envisages, in letter and spirit. This cannot be overstated as till date neither the Public Authority of this Secretariat has been fined nor penalised for any acts of commission or omission regarding the functioning of the RTI.

In the quest for helping the common man know the working of this Secretariat, almost all the Branches/Divisions have been regularly updating any information related to their functioning and duties. The Lok Sabha Secretariat has been playing a pivotal role in the effective implementation of the RTI Act. There is also a caveat, as there always is, that besides transparency and accountability there are a host of larger issues related to Parliament that perhaps need a relook from the perspective of RTI and other such generic laws that are likely to be enacted by Parliament in the near future for fulfilling the urge for democratic aspirations of the common citizens of the country.

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DIGITIZATION IN PARLIAMENT LIBRARY*

Introduction

The institution of Parliament is the apex political body in a democratic set-up in over-all governance of a country. Information is of utmost importance to the Parliamentarians in effectively performing their varied roles and duties inside and outside the elected bodies. Therefore, it is necessary for them to have access to truthful, non-partisan, authoritative, essential and complete information on varied issues. An independent, well-organized and modern library service is, therefore, required not merely to serve as a repository of books, legislative debates and parliamentary papers but also for providing an up-to-date and objective storehouse of knowledge of which members could make use of in an objective and productive manner in performing their duties.

Historical Background

Parliament Library, one of the richest repositories of books in India, was established in the year 1921 on a small scale to assist members of the then Central Legislative Assembly in performing their duties. At present, Parliament Library is the second largest Library in India after the National Library, Kolkata. A systematic expansion of the Parliament Library collection, both quantitatively and qualitatively, was started in the year 1950. Efforts were also made to further strengthen the Library during the period 1950-55, when exchange arrangements with various Institutions and Organizations in India and abroad were entered into. Purchase of books were also increased. Publications from the United Nations and its allied agencies; command papers from the United Kingdom and Government publications from United States of America were added in the collection of the Parliament Library. At present, Parliament Library at its own, is able to meet all informational needs of the members of Parliament. Moreover, it serves members of both the Houses of Parliament in assisting them to fulfil their legislative obligations.

*Contributed by the Director (CMP), Lok Sabha Secretariat.

As a result of functional reorganization and integration of various services, a new set up came into existence in 1974-75 in the Parliament Library which is now known as 'Library and Reference, Research Documentation & Information Service (LARRDIS)'.

A Step Towards Digitization

Libraries are the storehouse of knowledge as they maintain books and other knowledge resources available — mostly in printed form. However, with the advent of digital technology and internet connectivity, the library scenario has changed tremendously. Term Digital Library is used to refer to a system or applications whose function is chiefly to extend electronic access to material available in printed form in a conventional Library. Digital technology and Internet connectivity are now being used to transform a traditional Library into a Digital Library. Data available in physical form are being preserved digitally in Digital Libraries. Digital Libraries have the ability to enhance access to information and knowledge. They also bridge barriers of time and space.

Parliament of India has also taken significant steps in making effective use of potential of information Technology, so as to assist Parliamentarians in the effective discharge of their duties. The computer-based information retrieval system named Parliament Library Information System (PARLIS) was started in December 1985.

The activities of the Parliament Library have been automated by using an indigenously developed commercial software package 'LIBSYS'. The libsys is an integrated library application web enabled software package covering almost all functions of the library. The library catalogue can be accessed on Internet as well as on Intranet by members of Parliament and other users of the library. The digital collections such as reference books, yearbooks, reports, atlases, e-journals, directories etc. can be accessed either through Local Area Network (LAN) or through **Internet** at the address **: http://164.100.24.230.**

Advent of Digital Era

The digital revolution throughout the world has brought about new challenges as well as new opportunities for the information professionals. Technology has made it possible that information which was traditionally provided in paper prints could be digitized, preserved, and made accessible to users in electronic format. Digitizing information makes it easier to preserve, access and share. For example, an original historical document may only be accessible to people who visit its physical location, but if the document content is digitized, it can be made available to people worldwide. There is a growing trend towards digitization of historically and culturally significant data. Digitization protects original historical document and printed records from further deterioration and damage because it eliminates repetitive handling. Of late, there has been a growing demand for digitization of libraries, especially after the World Summit on Information Society at Geneva in 2003.

Today due to digitization, all knowledge has become easily accessible, especially due to the open access repositories that are made available to the users. Now digital libraries are replacing the conventional libraries at a faster rate. With the advent of technology, old libraries that have multitudes of manuscripts and books that have accumulated over the period have started making use of technology for scanning and digitizing their old records all around the world.

Digital Portal for Parliament Library

Well recognizing the fact that information, knowledge and connectivity are vital parameters for the development of a society which in turn is a key to have a successful democracy, the Parliament of India is also playing a pro-active role in building the edifice for an informed society by making maximum use of new tools, developed in the field of information technology. The Parliament of India is making all out efforts to disseminate information through these means and in the process, not only getting itself informed but also making the people more informed. The Parliament Library of India has a very rich cultural heritage and there have been every possible effort to preserve the same. With its present holdings of about 1.27 million volumes comprising books, reports, government publications, United Nations publications, debates, gazettes, periodicals, newspapers and other documents, including the ones brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, the Parliament Library is one of the finest and richest repositories in our country. Keeping in view, the archival as well as reference value of the library and that of debates of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and other data generated within the Parliament and the accessibility factor, the work of digitization of the library holdings have been undertaken. The project of digitization of Indian Parliament aims at creating a digital Library. About 11 categories of documents such as parliamentary debates, Bills, Acts, Committee/ Commissions Reports, rare books, White Papers etc., have been identified for digitization in the first phase.

To achieve the objective of creating a digital portal for Parliament Library by microfilming and digitizing all parliamentary records and other documents and also to make more concerted efforts in direction of achieving the goal of digitization of Parliament Library at a faster rate, the then Speaker, Lok Sabha, constituted a Committee on 10 July, 2012, under the Chairmanship of Shri S.S. Ahluwalia to undertake the work of microfilming and digitizing all parliamentary documents and transform Parliament Library into a Digital Library.

The Committee has undertaken the work of transforming Parliament Library into a digital Library and making microfilms of the documents for long-term preservation with the assistance of National Informatics Centre (NIC), Department of Electronic and Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology. Technical Guidelines for scanning, content creation and metadata were prepared in consultation with NIC.

The Committee held 42 meetings with various Ministries/Departments of the Government of India and others and laid emphasis that all Ministries/Departments should send complete data available with them in electronic form which might be of importance to members of Parliament in discharging their legislative duties for uploading on the site of the Digital Library. The Committee also requested them that soft copies of all the documents which are being laid on the Table of the two Houses should also be provided alongwith printed copies by the concerned Ministries/Organizations.

The Committee has also initiated action for getting digitized old documents which are available with various Ministries/Departments in printed form. The Secretary, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology has assured to the Committee that all assistance would be extended to all the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India in digitizing their old records. Efforts made by the Committee have been appreciated by other Ministries which are seeking assistance from the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (Deity) in getting necessary help for this purpose. After getting all those records digitized, these documents would also be uploaded on the Digital Portal of the Parliament Library.

The Committee has also started the process of procuring e-text of the rare books and other documents which are available with other Libraries including National Library, Kolkata and Digital Library of India, IISC, Bangalore. A lot of material including books on our National Leaders have already been procured and have been uploaded on the Digital Portal.

The websites of e-gazettes of India and National Library, Kolkata, being managed by the Ministry of Urban Development and the Ministry of Culture respectively were made more user friendly and up-to-date as a result of the efforts made by the Committee.

The Committee also initiated the process of procurement of India Specific Documents of pre-independence era from House of Commons, UK to strengthen the historical collection in the Digital Portal.

Efforts have also been made to acquire as much documents available with various Ministries and other Organizations in born digital form to upload these on the web portal of Parliament Library. In response to this, important documents such as General Budget Speeches of Finance Ministers from 1952 till date; Railway Budget Speeches of Railway Ministers from 1952 till date; e-books; Committee/Commissions Reports from Ministry of Culture; Annual Plans/Policies from Planning Commission have also been procured and uploaded on this portal.

On the initiative of the Committee, the work of scanning of all Parliamentary Committees Reports since inception and Debates of the the Lok Sabha since 1952 have also been undertaken. When the process of scanning of these Reports and Debates are completed, e-text of these documents would also be upload on the digital portal.

Future Perspective

The project of digitization of Parliament Library aims at to create one stop shop for all information related needs of members of Parliament on the activities and functioning of the Parliament and about parliamentary documents. Parliament Library is receiving e-text of those records from various Ministries/ Departments which are of interest to members and have already been digitized. These are being uploaded on the digital portal.

A web page for the digital portal of Parliament Library has already been designed by the NIC. Process of uploading of documents which are either born digital or whose e-text have been received, is also going on. More than 12,000 documents have already been uploaded on this portal. The process of uploading of e-text of documents is a continuing one. More and more of the documents whose e-text is received or created in the Parliament Library would be uploaded on the site so that the site would always be updated.

The main objective of the digital portal for the Parliament Library is to meet all information needs of the members of Parliament at one place. Members would be able to search the documents, required by them in performing their legislative duties on this portal, even while sitting at their homes by clicking on the icons being provided in the portal. Whether they need information about a legislation; or about a Parliamentary Committee Report; or about a Debate in the Lok Sabha; or about the various Commissions/Committee Reports formed by the Government from time to time; or about the national policies/plans of the Government; or about the white papers being issued by the Government from time to time, e-text of these would be available on this portal. Even the press reports on various issues, concerning the common man, would also form part of the portal. Therefore, there is no doubt that the digital portal, once launched, would be an asset for the members in meeting their necessities for participation in various discussions in the House. Even the portal could be accessed by other users for getting the information about the happenings in the Parliament. Efforts are being made to launch this portal at the earliest.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER (PARLIAMENT LIBRARY)*

The Parliament Library, one of the finest centres of knowledge and the richest repository of books in India, has served as an indispensable institution to quench the thirst of knowledge of the legislators and other users.

Efforts have been made over the years to ensure that the rich reservoir of knowledge, possessed by the Parliament Library, is also utilized by *bona fide* research scholars, university students, journalists, faculty members of educational institutions, etc. To establish a "Children's Corner" in the Parliament Library is a step forward in that direction and also to make an effort that vast resources of knowledge in the Parliament Library are made accessible to children also. The opening up of Children's Corner in the Parliament Library in August, 2007 is a unique arrangement insofar as the Legislature Library is concerned. Such a kind of arrangement for children exists only in the National Diet Library of Japan besides the Parliament Library of India.

The Corner has been designed to inculcate the reading habits amongst the children and to enable them in sharing the vast resources of the Parliament Library and the Parliament Museum and Archives. It aims at providing access to books, journals, other documents and electronic materials available in the Parliament Library to the children between eight and seventeen years of age. Special emphasis is given to ensure that the children of marginalized sections of the society, who do not have access to a good and resourceful library, should avail the facility of the Children's Corner of Parliament Library.

Access to Children's Corner

The Children's Corner is located in a large Hall (Room No. G-131, PLB) and decorated in a befitting manner to offer the children a warm, colourful and inviting place so that they can study and sharpen their skills in a peaceful atmosphere. They can explore and study all the resources available in the Children's Corner and the Parliament Library. Material of all kinds is for consultation only with in the Corner. Children are also encouraged to make maximum use of the computers as an educational tool to develop their skills and also make an attempt to complete their school projects.

Membership

Membership of the Children's Corner is open to Children/grand children of 8 to 17 years of age of the members of Parliament and also former members of Parliament; children of the permanent employees of the Secretariats of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs; Children of the Journalists accredited to the Press Gallery of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha; Children sponsored by the registered NGOs; or recognized schools.

The Collection

Children's Library comprises (i) about 2,000 books, (ii) special racks for display of magazines/newspapers/ CDs/DVDs, (iii) computers including touch screen computers, (iv) reading facility for 24 children at a time, and (v) colourful Bean Bags for the convenience of small children. Its collection contains classics, encyclopaedias, contemporary fiction, science project books, large print books, reference materials, etc. Special focus has been given to subjects like geography, history, human evolution and folklore of various countries and regions of the world. Various journals (national and international) of children's interest have also been made available in the Corner.

Provision of e-Literature

Keeping pace with the current information revolution and children's urge for accessing information in electronic form, the Children's Corner has also acquired e-literature in the form of CDs/VCDs. Children can watch movies, plays, and other informative programmes on VCDs/Video cassettes from time to time.

Multimedia Section

The Children's Section has a well-developed Multimedia Centre equipped with computers, computer catalogues and Internet facility. Children are encouraged

*Contributed by the Children Corner (LARRDIS).

to use the computer as an educational tool and also assisted in preparing school projects on computers. Thin Film Transistor (TFT) monitors have also been provided for viewing multimedia educational and entertainment programmes.

Through its multimedia centre, the Children's Corner endeavours to make the children an essential component of the global citizenry. It seeks to equip them with life long learning and literacy skills to enable them to actively participate in various discussions and debates and thus contribute in over-all development of the society. In fact, the Corner is designed to constantly respond to the increasing change in the society and meet the information, cultural and entertainment needs of the children.

Children's Programmes and Group Visits

Children's programmes contemplated include cultural events like puppetry, story-telling, music and theatre from time to time. During the summer months, annual summer reading events are organized. Small group of children sponsored by recognized schools and registered NGOs are allowed to visit the Children's Library and also participate in the various events organized from time to time.

Special events like writing competitions, drawing competitions, elocution competitions, etc. are also organized to make the Children's Corner a lively and interactive hub of activities.

FUNCTIONS ORGANISED

Inauguration of Children's Corner in Parliament Library

On 21 August 2007, the then Speaker, Lok Sabha, inaugurated the Corner. The function was attended by a number of dignitaries from the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha, Principals of various Schools, Heads of prominent NGOs, *etc*. Children of National Bal Bhawan, New Delhi, presented a cultural programme on the occasion.

Children's Day, 2007

A story telling and painting event titled *'Chacha Nehru Ka Gulab'* was organized on 14 November 2007 to celebrate the Children's Day. The function was organised in association with *Bachpan* Society for Children's Literature & Culture.

Literary and Cultural Activity Week

A five-day literary and cultural event for the underprivileged children in association with *Bachpan* Society was organised from 26-30 May 2008. About 125 children from five NGOs participated in various activities like story writing, poetry recitation, Quiz competition on festivals of India, preparation of greeting cards, computer animations, creating newspapers, *etc*.

World Environment Day, 2008

The World Environment Day was celebrated on 5 June 2008. The event was organised in association with *Ambpali*, an organization working for children and women on environment related issues.

First Anniversary of Children's Corner

To commemorate the first anniversary of Children's Corner, a Group Discussion on "Influence of computer/ internet on reading habits of today's children" was organised on 21 August 2008.

Children's Day, 2008

An on-the-spot drawing competition was organised to mark the Children's Day on 14 November, 2008 in which 144 children including children from three registered NGOs and members of Children's Corner participated.

Second Anniversary of Children's Corner

On the 2nd Anniversary of Children's Corner on 21 August 2009, a book review competition was organised in association with the National Book Trust.

Children's Day, 2009

An on-the-spot drawing competition was organised in the Children's Corner. Themes given were (i) Life of Chacha Nehru; (ii) Freedom Movement; (iii) Unity in Diversity of India; and (iv) Environment Protection. 186 children in two age groups *i.e*. 8-13 years and 14-17 years, participated in the competition.

Third Anniversary of Children's Corner

To commemorate the 3rd Anniversary of Children's Corner, a Creative Essay Writing Competition was organized on the themes (i) National Flag; (ii) Constitution of India; (iii) Parliament of India; and (iv) Commonwealth Games, 2010 on 21 August 2010. 224 Children in the age group of 8-17 years participated in the competition.

Children's Day, 2010

An on-the-spot drawing competition was organised wherein 268 children in two age groups *i.e,* 8-13 years, and 14-17 years, participated. Themes for the competition were (i) Parliament Museum; (ii) Festivals of India;

(iii) Portrait of National Leaders; and (iv) Commonwealth Games, 2010.

4th Anniversary of Children's Corner

The 4th Anniversary of Children's Corner was celebrated on 21 August 2011. To commemorate the occasion, an on-the-spot Drawing Competition was held. 281 Children including members of Children's Corner and from three NGOs dealing with the welfare of children from the marginalized sections of the society namely (i) SOS Children Village of India; (ii) Salam Baalak Trust; and (iii) Manav Mission Trust participated in the competition. Topics for the competition were — (i) Our Parliament; (ii) A scene at Polling Booth; (iii) Republic Day Parade; (iv) Independence Day Celebration at Red Fort; (v) Freedom Struggle; and (vi) Water Conservation.

Children's Day, 2011

A Creative Essay Writing Competition was organized on Children's Day, the 14 November, 2011. 200 Children, 91 from three registered NGOs and 109 members of Children Corner participated in the event. Topics approved for the age group of 8-13 years were (i) Deepawali; (ii) Republic Day; (iii) My Favorite Leader; (iv) A memorable day of my life; and (v) Good Manners, and the topics for the age group of 14-17 years were; (i) Influence of Internet on Children; (ii) My perception of environment friendliness; (iii) Social Status of Women in Indian Society; (iv) Meaning of Independence for me; and (v) Right to Education.

5th Anniversary of Children's Corner

The 5th Anniversary of Children's Corner was celebrated on 21 August 2012. To commemorate the occasion, a Creative Essay Writing Competition was organized. Themes approved for the competition were (i) Youth Power in Indian Parliament; (ii) Life sketch of present President of India; (iii) Environment Pollution; and (iv) Summer Olympic Games 2012. 174 Children including members of Children's Corner and from three registered NGOs namely (1) SOS Children Village of India; (2) Salaam Baalak Trust; and (3) Sparsh Social Welfare and Charitable Organization participated in the Competition.

Children's Day, 2012

To commemorate the Children's day, Children's Corner organized an On-the-Spot Drawing Competition on 19 November 2012 wherein 166 children (88 children from three recognized NGOs namely (1) SOS Children's villages of India, (2) Deepalaya, and (3) Manav Mandir Mission Trust and 78 members of Children's Corner) in two age groups *i.e.* 8-13 years and 14-17 years participated in the competition. Themes for the competition were (i) Portrait of Prime Minister of India; (ii) National Monument; (iii) Festivals of India; and (iv) National animal or bird.

On-the-Spot Drawing Competition on 25th November 2012

An on-the-spot drawing competition was also organized by the Children's Corner on 25 November 2012 wherein 188 Children (101 children from three recognized NGOs namely (1) Deepalaya, (2) Sparsh Social Welfare and Charitable Organization, and (3) Salaam Baalak Trust and 86 members of Children's Corner) participated. Indian Parliament was the sole theme for the competition. Before the commencement of the competition, all participants were shown the Lok Sabha, the Rajya Sabha Chambers and the Central Hall in the Parliament House so that they might have an idea about these and help them in attempting the competition.

6th Anniversary of Children's Corner

The 6th Anniversary of Children's Corner was on 21 August 2013 and on this occasion, a Creative Essay Writing Competition was organized. Themes for the competition were (a) Parliamentary Democracy in India; (b) Focus on Child Labour in Indian Society; (c) Salient Features of National Integration; and (d) Environmental Degradation as a Cause for Natural Calamities. 187 children including members of Children's Corner and from three registered NGOs *i.e.* ANK, CHETNA and SAKSHI participated in the competition.

Function to Celebrate the Children's Day, 2013

The Children's Corner organized a Story Writing Competition on 19 November 2013 to celebrate the Children's Day. 182 children including members of Children's Corner and from three registered NGOs *i.e.* SOS Children's Villages of India, Sparsh and SAKSHI participated in the Competition. Themes approved for the Competition were stories from Panchatantra/Jhatak Kathaye.

PART II

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

1

CONSTITUTION AND COMPOSITION OF LOK SABHA

Elections

The Constitution of India empowers Parliament to make laws relating to the conduct of elections to the Legislative Bodies in the country. Accordingly, two major laws were enacted by Parliament in 1950 and 1951. Thereafter, statutory rules were formulated under these Acts for the conduct of elections. The Representation of the People Act, 1950 provides for the allocation of seats in and the delimitation of constituencies for the purpose of elections to the House of the People and the Legislatures of States, the qualifications of voters at such elections, the preparation of electoral rolls, etc. The Representation of the People Act, 1951 provides for the conduct of elections to the Houses of Parliament and the Legislature of each State, the qualifications and disqualifications for membership of those Houses, the corrupt practices and other offences at or in connection with such elections and the decision of doubts and disputes arising out of or in connection with such elections.

The Constitution also provides for reservation of seats for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. In the Fifteenth General Elections to the Lok Sabha held during April-May 2009, 84 seats were reserved for the Scheduled Castes and 47 seats for the Scheduled Tribes.

Statement 2 shows State-wise number of seats reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Fifteenth General Elections.

Since the commencement of the Constitution in 1950, and till May 2009, fifteen General Elections were held to the Lok Sabha based on universal adult franchise. The first General Elections were held in December 1951 – February 1952; the second in February – March 1957; the third in February 1962; the fourth in February 1967; the fifth in March 1971; the sixth in March 1977; the seventh in December 1979 – January 1980; the eighth in December 1984; the ninth in November 1989; the tenth in May-June 1991; the eleventh in April-May 1996; the twelfth in February-March 1998; the thirteenth in September-October 1999; and the fourteenth in April-May, 2004. In pursuance of the notifications issued by the President of India on 23 and 28 March 2009 and on 2, 11 and 17 April 2009 under sub-section (2) of section 14 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, General Elections to the Fifteenth Lok Saba were held on 16, 22, 23, and 30 April and on 7 and 13 May 2009 for 543 seats.

The Fifteenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 18 May 2009 with the Election Commission issuing a notification under section 73 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951. The first sitting of the House was held on 1 June 2009. **Statement 1** indicates the programme of the Fifteenth General Elections.

Political Parties

In the Fifteenth General Elections, candidates of 7 national parties, 34 State parties and 322 other unrecognized but registered parties contested. A total of 3,831 independent candidates contested the elections.

Statements 3 and 3(A) respectively provide the details of national parties and State parties.

Party Position

Apart from the 543 elected members, two members, *viz.* Shri Charles Dias and Smt. Ingrid Mcleod were nominated by the President on 18 September 2009 under article 331 of the Constitution. No single party could get an absolute majority in the House. The Indian National Congress emerged as the single largest party followed by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

Statement 4 provides the party-wise position as on 18 May 2009 in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Oath/Affirmation by Members

During the First Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 540 members made the oath or affirmation under article 99 of the Constitution. Of them, 234 did so in Hindi; 100 in English; 40 in Tamil; 26 in Kannada; 24 in Bengali; 23 each in Telugu and Marathi; 13 each in Gujarati and Punjabi; 12 in Oriya; 10 in Sanskrit; 7 in Assamese; 5 each in Malayalam and Urdu; 2 each in Dogri and Maithili; 1 in Manipuri.

Statement 5 indicates the languages used by the members for subscribing to the oath or affirmation.

By-elections

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 19 by-elections were held. **Statement 6** shows details about these by-elections.

Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Panel of Chairmen

The Fifteenth Lok Sabha met for the first time on 1 June 2009. Shri Manikrao Hodlya Gavit, who was appointed Speaker *pro-tem* by the President of India on 29 May 2009, presided over the sittings of Lok Sabha from 1 June 2009 till the election of the Speaker on 3 June 2009, assisted by members of a panel of Chairmen consisting of Sarvashri Basudeb Acharia, Arjun Charan Sethi, Biren Singh Engti and Shrimati Sumitra Mahajan. Shrimati Meira Kumar was unanimously elected as the Speaker of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 3 June 2009. On 8 June 2009, Shri Kariya Munda was elected unanimously as the Deputy Speaker of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Statement 7 provides the names of the Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Panel of Chairmen with tenure.

Leader of the House

Shri Pranab Mukherjee was nominated as the Leader of the House by the Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh with effect from 29 May 2009. As Shri Pranab Mukherjee was elected as President of India and assumed office on 25 July 2012, Shri Sushil Kumar Sambhajirao Shinde was nominated as the Leader of the House w.e.f. 3rd August 2012.

Leader of the Opposition

Speaker, *Pro-tem* Shri Manikrao Hodlya Gavit, recognised Shri L.K. Advani, the Leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party in the Lok Sabha, as the Leader of Opposition with effect from 22 May 2009 and he remained in the office till 21 December 2009. Smt. Sushma Swaraj was appointed as the Leader of Opposition with effect from 21 December 2009.

Socio-economic Profile of the Members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha¥

The Fifteenth Lok Sabha was represented by members with diverse social, political as well as professional background. The average age of the members of the Fifteenth# Lok Sabha was 53.7 years, compared to 52.17 years in the Fourteenth Lok Sabha. As far as occupational background is concerned, Agriculturists dominated the House (35.54 per cent) followed by Political and Social Workers (27.07 per cent) and Lawyers (10.13 per cent). The corresponding figures for the Fourteenth Lok Sabha were 41.88 per cent, 23.77 per cent and 12.26 per cent, respectively. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha had about 48.62 per cent Graduates including those with equivalent technical qualifications, and 24.59 per cent Post-graduates, including those with equivalent technical qualifications. 5.14 per cent of the members possessed Doctoral or similar other high academic qualifications. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha had 4.40 per cent Under-matriculates while the Fourteenth Lok Sabha had about 50.46 per cent Graduates, 28.38 per cent Post-Graduates, 3.33 per cent Doctoral or high academic qualifications and 2.78 per cent Under-matriculates, respectively.

There were 60£ women members in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha constituting nearly 11.01 per cent of the total membership of the House as against 46 women members constituting nearly 8.48 per cent of the total membership during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha.

Of the 545 members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 291 members were new to the House while 184 had been members of Fourteenth Lok Sabha and 52 members had experience of Rajya Sabha. A total of 255 members had previous legislative experience of the State Legislatures exclusively. Thirty-seven political parties/groups were represented in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Seating Arrangement for Members

The Chamber of the Lok Sabha is semi-circular in shape. The Chair of the Speaker is placed conspicuously at the centre of the diameter connecting the two ends of the semi-circle. In the pit of the Chamber just below the Speaker's Chair is the Table of the Secretary-General.

The Chamber has a seating accommodation for 550 members. The seats are divided into six blocks each, with eleven rows. On the right of the Chair of the Speaker are the Treasury Benches and on the left are the seats for the Opposition members.

¥ Percentage is based on the total number of members who supplied information.

As on the date of constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 18.5.2009, including two nominated members and Shri Raj Babbar who was elected in a by-election held on 7.11.2009.

£ Based on the composition of the House on January 2011. On the date of its constitution, the Fifteenth Lok Sabha has 58 women members.

STATEMENT 1

Programme of the Fifteenth General Elections

Sl.No.	Programme	Date
1.	Dates of issue of Notification	23.3.2009 28.3.2009 2.4.2009 11.4.2009 17.4.2009
2.	Last dates for filing nominations	30.3.2009 4.4.2009 9.4.2009 18.4.2009 24.4.2009
3.	Dates of scrutiny of nominations	31.3.2009 6.4.2009 10.4.2009 11.4.2009 20.4.2009 25.4.2009
4.	Last dates for withdrawal of candidature	2.4.2009 8.4.2009 13.4.2009 15.4.2009 22.4.2009 27.4.2009 28.4.2009
5.	Dates* on which poll was held	16.4.2009 22.4.2009 23.4.2009 30.4.2009 7.5.2009 13.5.2009
6.	Date on which the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was constituted	18.5.2009

* 22 States and Union Territories had polling on a single day: on 16.4.2009 – Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep; on 23.4.2009 – Goa; Tripura; on 30.4.2009 – Gujarat, Sikkim, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu; on 7.5.2009 – Haryana, Rajasthan, National Capital Territory of Delhi; on 13.5.2009 – Himachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand, Chandigarh, Puducherry.

8 States had polling on two days, *viz.* Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Jharkhand, Odisha (on 16.4.2009 and 23.4.2009); Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh (23.4.2009 and 30.4.2009); Manipur (16.4.2009 and 22.4.2009); Punjab (7.5.2009 and 13.5.2009).

2 States had polling on three days, *viz.* Maharashtra (16.4.2009, 23.4.2009 and 30.4.2009); West Bengal (30.4.2009, 7.5.2009 and 13.5.2009).

One State, *i.e.* Bihar had polling on four days (16.4.2009, 23.4.2009, 30.4.2009 and 7.5.2009).

Two States, *i.e.* Jammu and Kashmir and Uttar Pradesh had polling on five days (16.4.2009, 23.4.2009, 30.4.2009, 7.5.2009 and 13.5.2009).

STATEMENT 2

Reserved Seats for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

Sl.No.	States/Union Territories	2009—General Elections		
		Total Seats	SC	ST
	1	2	3	4
	States			
1.	Andhra Pradesh	42	7	3
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2	0	0
3.	Assam	14	1	2
4.	Bihar	40	6	0
5.	Chhattisgarh	11	1	4
6.	Goa	2	0	0
7.	Gujarat	26	2	4
8.	Haryana	10	2	0
9.	Himachal Pradesh	4	1	0
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	6	0	0
11.	Jharkhand	14	1	5
12.	Karnataka	28	5	2
13.	Kerala	20	2	0
14.	Madhya Pradesh	29	4	6
15.	Maharashtra	48	5	4
16.	Manipur	2	0	1
17.	Meghalaya	2	0	2
18.	Mizoram	1	0	1
19.	Nagaland	1	0	1
20.	Odisha	21	3	5
21.	Punjab	13	4	0
22.	Rajasthan	25	4	3
23.	Sikkim	1	0	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	39	7	0
25.	Tripura	2	0	1
26.	Uttarakhand	5	1	0
27.	Uttar Pradesh	80	17	0

	1	2	3	4
28.	West Bengal	42	10	2
	Union Territories			
1.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	1	0	0
2.	Chandigarh	1	0	0
3.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	1	0	0
4.	Daman and Diu	1	0	0
5.	National Capital Territory of Delhi	7	1	0
6.	Lakshadweep	1	0	1
7.	Puducherry	1	0	0
	Total	543	84	47

STATEMENT 3

General Elections to the Lok Sabha 2009—List of National Parties and Symbols

Sl.No.	National Parties	Symbols Reserved
1.	Bahujan Samaj Party	Elephant
2.	Bharatiya Janata Party	Lotus
3.	Communist Party of India	Ears of Corn and Sickle
4.	Communist Party of India (Marxist)	Hammer, Sickle and Star
5.	Indian National Congress	Hand
6.	Nationalist Congress Party	Clock
7.	Rashtriya Janata Dal	Hurricane Lamp

STATEMENT 3(A)

List of State Parties and Symbols

Sl.No.	State Party	Symbol Reserved	Name of the States/ Union Territories
1	2	3	4
1.	Arunachal Congress	Two Daos Intersecting	Arunachal Pradesh
2.	All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam	Two Leaves	Tamil Nadu, Puducherry
3.	Asom Gana Parishad	Elephant	Assam
4.	All India Forward Bloc	Lion	West Bengal

1	2	3	4
5.	All India Trinamool Congress	Flowers and Grass	West Bengal, Meghalaya
6.	Assam United Democratic Front	Lock & Key	Assam
7.	Biju Janata Dal	Conch	Odisha
8.	Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam	Rising Sun	Tamil Nadu, Puducherry
9.	Indian National Lok Dal	Spectacles	Haryana
10.	Janata Dal (Secular)	A Lady farmer carrying paddy on her head	Karnataka, Kerala
11.	Janata Dal (United)	Arrow	Bihar, Jharkhand
12.	Jammu & Kashmir National Conference	Plough	Jammu & Kashmir
13.	Jammu & Kashmir National Panthers Party	Bicycle	Jammu & Kashmir
14.	Jammu & Kashmir Peoples Democratic Party	Ink pot and Pen	Jammu & Kashmir
15.	Jharkhand Mukti Morcha	Bow and Arrow	Jharkhand, Odisha
16.	Kerala Congress	Bicycle	Kerala
17.	Kerala Congress (M)	Two Leaves	Kerala
18.	Lok Jan Shakti Party	Bungalow	Bihar
19.	Maharasthrawadi Gomantak	Lion	Goa
20.	Marumalarchi Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam	Top	Tamil Nadu
21.	Manipur People's Party	Bicycle	Manipur
22.	Muslim League Kerala State Committee	Ladder	Kerala
23.	Nagaland People's Front	Cock	Nagaland
24.	Pattali Makkal Katchi	Mango	Tamil Nadu, Puducherry
25.	Revolutionary Socialist Party	Spade & Stoker	West Bengal
26.	Shiromani Akali Dal	Scales	Punjab
27.	Sikkim Democratic Front	Umbrella	Sikkim
28.	Save Goa Front	Aeroplane	Goa
29.	Shivsena	Bow and Arrow	Maharashtra
30.	Samajwadi Party	Bicycle	Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand
31.	Telugu Desam	Bicycle	Andhra Pradesh
32.	Telangana Rashtra Samithi	Car	Andhra Pradesh
33.	United Democratic Party	Drum	Meghalaya
34.	Uttarakhand Kranti Dal	Chair	Uttarakhand

STATEMENT 3 (B)

Names of the Unrecognised Political Parties Registered with the Election Commission*

1. Akhil Bharatiya Ashok Sena
2. Akhil Bharatiya Congress Dal (Ambedkar)
3. Akhil Bharatiya Desh Bhakt Morcha
4. Akhil Bharatiya Hind Kranti Party
5. Akhil Bharat Hindu Mahasabha
6. All India Bharti Jug Party
7. Akhil Bharatiya Jan Sangh
8. Akhil Bharatiya Kisan Mazdoor Morcha
9. Akhil Bharatiya Loktantra Party
10. Akhil Bhartiya Manavata Paksha
11. Akhil Bharatiya Manav Seva Dal
12. Akahand Bharat Maha Sangh Sarvahara Krantikari Party
13. Ambedkarbadi Party
14. Akhil Bharatiya Rajarya Sabha
15. Akhil Bharatiya Shivsena Rashtrawadi
16. Akhil Bhartiya Sindhu Samajwadi Party
17. A-Chik National Congress (Democratic)
18. Apna Dal
19. Anaithindia Dravidar Samudaya Munnetra Kazhagam
20. Aadivasi Sena Party
21. All India Bahujan Samman Party
22. Advait Ishwasyam Congress
23. All India Dalit Welfare Congress
24. All India Forward Bloc (Subhasist)
25. Akhila India Jananayaka Makkal Katchi (Dr Issac)
26. All India Minorities Front
27. All India Majlis-E-Ittehadul Muslimeen
28. All India Raksha Party
29. Akila India Vallalar Peravai
30. Ajeya Bharat Party
31. Alpjan Samaj Party
32. AJSU Party
33. Amra Bangalee
34. Ambedkar National Congress
35. Awami Party
36. Ambedkar Pragatisheel Republican Dal
37. Ambedkarist Republican Party
38. Akhil Rashtrawadi Party
39. Autonomous State Demand Committee
40. Ambedkar Samaj Party
41. Adarshwadi Dal
42. Bundelkhand Akikrit Party
43. Bharipa Bahujan Mahasangha
44. Bharatiya Backward Party
45. Backward Classes Democratic Party, J&K
46. Bhartiya Chaitanya Party
47. BC United Front
48. Bharat Dal
49. Bhartiya Deshbhakt Party
50. Bharatiya Eklavya Party
51. Bharatiya Grameen Dal
52. Bharatiya Gaon Taj Dal
53. Bharatiya Bahujan Party
54. Bhartiya Congress (M)
55. Bhartiya Jagran Party
56. Bharatiya Pichhra Dal
57. Bharatiya Peoples Party
58. Bharatheeya Sadharma Samsthapana Party
59. Bharatiya Jan Berojgar Chhatra Dal
60. Bharatiya Jai Bheem Party
61. Bharatiya Jantantrik Janta Dal
62. Bharatiya Jan Kranti Dal (Democratic)
63. Bajjikanchal Vikas Party
64. Bharatiya Jan Shakti
65. Bharatiya Jantantrik Parishad
66. Bharat Ki Lok Jimmedar Party
67. Bharatiya Lok Kalyan Dal
68. Bharatiya Loktantrik Party (Gandhi-Lohiawadi)
69. Bharatiya Momin Front
70. Bundelkhand Mukti Morcha
71. Bharatiya Minorities Suraksha Mahasangh
72. Bharatiya National Janta Dal
73. Bharatiya Nagrik Party

*Participated in the Fifteenth General Elections, 2009.

74. Bira Oriya Party
75. Bodaland Peoples Front
76. Bhartiya Pragatisheel Congress
77. Bharat Punarnirman Dal
78. Bharatiya Praja Paksha
79. Bahujan Republican Ekta Manch
80. Bharatiya Rashtriya Morcha
81. Bharatiya Rashtravadi Paksha
82. Bharatiya Republican Paksha
83. Bahujan Shakty
84. Bharathiya Sahayog Congress
85. Bharatiya Samaj Dal
86. Bharatiya Sarvkalayan Kranti Dal
87. Bharatiya Sarvodaya Kranti Party
88. Bharatiya Samaj Kalyan Party Bharat
89. Bharatiya Sampuran Krantikari Party
90. Bahujan Samaj Party (Ambedkar-Phule)
91. Bahujan Sangharsh Party (Kanshiram)
92. Bharatiya Subhash Sena
93. Bharatiya Sadbhawna Samaj Party
94. Bharatiya Samta Samaj Party
95. Bharat Uday Mission
96. Bahujan Uday Manch
97. Bahujan Vikas Aaghadi
98. Bharat Vikas Morcha
99. Bahujan Vikas Party
100. Buddhiviveki Vikas Party
101. Christian Democratic Front
102. Chhattisgarh Vikas Party
103. Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) (Liberation)
104. Chhattisgarhi Samaj Party
105. Desh Bhakt Party
106. Democratic Bharatiya Samaj Party
107. Democratic Congress Party
108. Democratic Secular Party
109. Duggar Pradesh Party
110. Desiya Murpokku Dravida Kazhagam
111. Democratic Party of India
112. Desia Pathukappu Kazhagam
113. Eklavya Samaj Party
114. Federal Congress of India
115. Gondvana Gantantra Party
116. Gondwana Mukti Sena
117. Great India Party
118. Hind Vikas Party
119. Haryana Janhit Congress (BL)
120. Hindustan Janta Party
121. Hill State People's Democratic Party
122. Indian Bahujan Samajwadi Party
123. Indian Christian Secular Party
124. Indian Justice Party
125. Indian People's Forward Block
126. Indian Peace Party
127. Indian Union Muslim League
128. Inqalab Vikas Dal
129. Jaganmay Nari Sangathan
130. Jai Bharat Party
131. Jai Bharat Samanta Party
132. Jai Chhattisgarh Party
133. Jan Chetna Party
134. Jharkhand Disom Party
135. Jago Party
136. Jharkhand Janadikhar Manch
137. Jharkhand Jan Morcha
138. Jana Hitkari Party
139. Jebamani Janata
140. Jai Jawan Jai Kisan Mazdoor Congress
141. Jammu & Kashmir Awami National Conference
142. Jan Ekta Dal
143. Jawan Kisan Morcha
144. Jharkhand Party
145. Jharkhand Party (Naren)
146. Jharkhand People's Party
147. Jan Morcha
148. Janata Party
149. Jammu & Kashmir People Conference
150. Janvadi Party (Socialist)
151. Jansatta Party
152. Jan Surajya Shakti
153. Janata Uday Party
154. Jharkhand Vikas Dal
155. Jharkhand Vikas Morcha (Prajatantrik)
156. Kannada Chalavali Vatal Paksha
157. Kamarajar Deseeya Congress
158. Kranti Kari Jai Hind Sena

159. Krantisena Maharashtra
160. Kongu Nadu Munnetra Kazhagam
161. Kosal Kranti Dal
162. Kalinga Sena
163. Krantikari Samyavadi Party
164. Karnataka Thamizhar Munnetra Kazhagam
165. Kosi Vikas Party
166. Lok Bharati
167. Lok Bhalai Party
168. Lok Dal
169. Lok Jan Vikas Morcha
170. Loktanrik Janata Party (Secular)
171. Loksangram
172. Loktanrik Sarkar Party
173. Lal Morcha
174. Lokpriya Samaj Party
175. Lok Satta Party
176. Laghujan Samaj Vikas Party
177. Loktantrik Samajwadi Party
178. Loktantrik Samata Dal
179. Lok Vikas Party
180. Moulik Adhikar Party
181. Manithaneya Makkal Katchi
182. Mana Party
183. Mahila Adhikar Party
184. Mool Bharati (S) Party
185. Matra Bhakta Party
186. Momin Conference
187. Marxist Co-Ordination
188. Marxist Communist Party of India (S S Srivastava)
189. Mahan Dal
190. Meghalaya Democratic Party
191. Mahagujarat Janta Party
192. Maidani Kranti Dal
193. Majdoor Kisan Union Party
194. Makkal Manadu Katchi
195. Manav Mukti Morcha
196. Muslim Majlis Uttar Pradesh
197. Maharashtra Navnirman Sena
198. Moderate Party
199. Navbharat Nirman Party
200. National Development Party
201. National Democratic Peoples Front
202. Nelopa(United)
203. National Lokhind Party
204. National Loktantrik Party
205. Namadhu Makkal Katchi
206. National Secular Party
207. Niswarth Sewa Party
208. National Youth Party
209. Orissa Mukti Morcha
210. Praja Bharath Party
211. People's Democratic Alliance
212. People's Democratic Front
213. People's Democratic Forum
214. Party for Democratic Socialism
215. Peace Party
216. Peoples Guardian
217. Pachai Kudi Makkal Katchi
218. Punjab Labour Party
219. Pragatisheel Manav Samaj Party
220. Puthiya Needhi Katchi
221. People's Party of Arunachal
222. Peoples Party of India (Secular)
223. Pyramid Party of India
224. Praja Rajyam Party
225. Purvanchal Rajya Banao Dal
226. Peoples Republican Party
227. Prabuddha Republican Party
228. Professionals Party of India
229. Prajatantrik Samadhan Party
230. Puthiya Tamilagam
231. Proutist Sarva Samaj
232. Rashtriya Agraniye Dal
233. Rashtriya Janutthan Party
234. Rashtriya Lokwadi Party
235. Rashtrawadi Labour Party
236. Rashtriya Sahara Party
237. Rashtravadi Arthik Swatantrata Dal
238. Rashtriya Janhit Party
239. Rashtriya Bahujan Congress Party
240. Rashtra Bhakt Dal
241. Rashtravadi Communist Party
242. Revolutionary Communist Party of India (Rasik Bhatt)
243. Rajyadhikara Party

244. Rashtriya Dehat Morcha Party
245. Rajasthan Dev Sena Dal
246. Rashtriya Gondvana Party
247. Rashtriya Janadhikar Party
248. Rashtriya Jan-Jagram Morcha
249. Rashtriya Janwadi Party (Krantikari)
250. Rashtriya Jan Sahay Dal
251. Rajasthan Vikas Party
252. Rashtriya Krantikari Janata Party
253. Rashtriya Krantikari Samajwadi Party
254. Rashtriya Lok Dal
255. Rashtriya Lokhit Party
256. Rashtriya Mazdoor Ekta Party
257. Rashtriya Mangalam Party
258. Rashtriya Machhua Samaj Party
259. Rashtriya Naujawan Dal
260. Rajya Nojawan Shakti Party
261. Republican Paksha (Khoripa)
262. Rashtriya Praja Congress (Secular)
263. Republican Party of India
264. Republican Party of India (A)
265. Republican Party of India (Democratic)
266. Republican Party of India (Khobragade)
267. Republician Party of India Ektawadi
268. Rashtriya Pragati Party
269. Republican Presidium Party of India
270. Rashtriya Raksha Dal
271. Rayalaseema Rashtra Samithi
272. Rashtriya Swabhimaan Party
273. Rashtriya Samanta Dal
274. Rastriya Samajwadi Party (Secular)
275. Rashtriya Samaj Paksha
276. Rashtriya Surya Prakash Party
277. Rashtra Sewa Dal
278. Rashtriya Kranti Party
279. Rashtravadi Janata Party
280. Rashtriya Vikas Party
281. Rashtrawadi Sena
282. Rashtrawadi Samaj Party
283. Rashtriya Yuva Sangh
284. Shiromani Akali Dal (Amritsar) (Simranjit Singh Mann)
285. Samruddha Odisha
286. Samata Party
287. Suheldev Bhartiya Samaj Party
288. Sikkim Gorkha Prajatantric Party
289. Sikkim Himali Rajya Parishad Party
290. Sikkim Jan-Ekta Party
291. Samajwadi Janata Party (Rashtriya)
292. Samajik Jantantrik Party
293. Sarvodaya Karnataka Paksha
294. Socialist Party (Lohia)
295. Smast Bhartiya Party
296. Shakti Sena (Bharat Desh)
297. Shoshit Samaj Dal
298. Swatantra Bharat Paksha
299. Samajtantric Party of India
300. Sunder Samaj Party
301. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Party
302. Shivrajya Party
303. Savarn Samaj Party
304. Samajwadi Jan Parishad
305. Swabhimani Paksha
306. Swarajya Party of India
307. The Humanist Party of India
308. Trilinga Praja Pragati Party
309. United Communist Party of India
310. United Goans Democratic Party
311. Ulzaipali Makkal Katchy
312. United National Loktantrik Party
313. Uttar Pradesh Republican Party
314. United Women Front
315. Vanchit Jamat Party
316. Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi
317. Vishva Hindustani Sangathan
318. Vikas Party
319. Vishwa Vikas Sangh
320. Youth For Equality
321. Youth And Students Party
322. Yuva Vikas Party

INDEPENDENTS

323. Independent

STATEMENT 4

Strength of Political Parties in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha (As on 18.5.2009)

Names of States/ Union Territories	Seats	INC	BJP	SP	BSP	JD(U)	AITC	DMK	CPI (M)	BJD	Shiv Sena	NCP	AIA-DMK	TDP	RLD	CPI	SAD	RJD	JKNC	JD(S)	AIFB
States																					
Andhra Pradesh	42	33	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Arunachal Pradesh	2	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Assam	14	7	4	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bihar	40	2	12	–	–	20	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	–	–	–
Chhattisgarh	11	1	10	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Goa	2	1	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gujarat	26	11	15	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Haryana	10	9	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Himachal Pradesh	4	1	3	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jammu & Kashmir	6	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	–	–
Jharkhand	14	1	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Karnataka	28	6	19	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	–
Kerala	20	13	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Madhya Pradesh	29	12	16	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Maharashtra	48	17	9	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	11	8	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Manipur	2	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Meghalaya	2	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mizoram	1	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nagaland	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Odisha	21	6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	14	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–
Punjab	13	8	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	–	–	–	–
Rajasthan	25	20	4	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sikkim	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tamil Nadu	39	8	–	–	–	–	–	18	1	–	–	–	9	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–
Tripura	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Uttarakhand	5	5	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Uttar Pradesh	80	21	10	23	20	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	5	–	–	–	–	–	–
West Bengal	42	6	1	–	–	–	19	–	9	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	2
Union Territories																					
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	1	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Chandigarh	1	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Daman & Diu	1	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
NCT of Delhi	7	7	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lakshadweep	1	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Puducherry	1	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	543	206	116	23	21	20	19	18	16	14	11	9	9	6	5	4	4	4	3	3	2

Names of States/ Union Territories	JMM	MLKSC	RSP	TRS	AIMEIM	AGP	AUDF	BVA	BPF	HJC (BL)	JVM (P)	KC (M)	MDMK	NPF	SDF	SP*	VCK	IND	Total	Vacancies
States																				
Andhra Pradesh	–	–	–	2	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	42	–
Arunachal Pradesh	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–
Assam	–	–	–	–	–	1	1	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	14	–
Bihar	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	40	–
Chhattisgarh	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	11	–
Goa	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–
Gujarat	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	26	–
Haryana	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	10	–
Himachal Pradesh	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	–
Jammu & Kashmir	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	6	–
Jharkhand	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	14	–
Karnataka	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	28	–
Kerala	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	20	–
Madhya Pradesh	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	29	–
Maharashtra	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	1	48	–
Manipur	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–
Meghalaya	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–
Mizoram	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–
Nagaland	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	1	–
Odisha	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	21	–
Punjab	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	13	–
Rajasthan	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	25	–
Sikkim	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	1	–
Tamil Nadu	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	1	–	39	–
Tripura	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–
Uttarakhand	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	5	–
Uttar Pradesh	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	80	–
West Bengal	–	–	2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	42	–
Union Territories																				
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–
Chandigarh	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–
Daman & Diu	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–
NCT of Delhi	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	7	–
Lakshadweep	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–
Puducherry	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–
Total	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	543	–

Abbreviations used in respect of parties represented in the Lok Sabha:

Indian National Congress (INC); Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP); Samajwadi Party (SP); Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP); Janta Dal (United) JD(U); All India Trinamool Congress (AITC); Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK); Communist Party of India (Marxist) CPI (M); Biju Janata Dal (BJD); Shiv Sena; Nationalist Congress Party (NCP); All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK); Telugu Desam Party (TDP); Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD); Communist Party of India (CPI); Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD); Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD); Jammu and Kashmir National Conference (J&K NC); Janata Dal (Secular) JD(S); All India Forward Bloc (AIFB); Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM); Muslim League Kerala State Committee (MLKSC); Revolutionary Socialist Party (RSP); Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS); All India Majlis–e–Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMEIM); Asom Gana Parishad (AGP); Assam United Democratic Front (AUDF); Bahujan Vikas Aaghadi (BVA); Bodoland Peoples Front (BPF); Haryana Janhit Congress (BL) [HJC(BL)]; Jharkhand Vikas Morcha (Prajatantrik) [JVM(P)]; Kerala Congress (M) [KC(M)]; Marumalarchi Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (MDMK); Nagaland People's Front (NPF); Sikkim Democratic Front (SDF); Swabhimani Paksha (SP*); Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi (VCK) & Independent (IND).

STATEMENT 5

Language-wise break-up of the number of Members who made and subscribed Oath or Affirmation during the First Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Language	Number of Members
Hindi	234
English	100
Tamil	40
Kannada	26
Bengali	24
Telugu	23
Marathi	23
Gujarati	13
Punjabi	13
Oriya	12
Sanskrit	10
Assamese	7
Malayalam	5
Urdu	5
Dogri	2
Maithili	2
Manipuri	1
Total	540*

*Shri Manikrao Hodlya Gavit, Speaker pro-tem took oath in Hindi before the President at the Rashtrapati Bhawan on 1 June 2009. Shri Shibu Soren, an elected member from the Dumka Parliamentary Constituency of Jharkhand did not take oath during the First Session. Shri Akhilesh Yadav, who was elected from two parliamentary constituencies of Uttar Pradesh *viz.* Kannauj and Firozabad, resigned his seat from Firozabad constituency.

STATEMENT 6

By-elections held during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Name of Member	Constituency & State	Date of By-election	Date of Oath/ Affirmation taking seat in the House	Reason for By-election
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Shri Raj Babbar	Firozabad/Uttar Pradesh	07.11.2009	19.11.2009	Shri Akhilesh Yadav resigned on 26 May 2009
2.	Smt. Putul Kumari	Banka/Bihar	01.11.2010	26.11.2010	Shri Digvijay Singh died on 24 June 2010.
3.	Shri Dinesh Kashyap	Bastar/Chhattisgarh	07.05.2011	02.08.2011	Shri Baliram Kashyap died on 10 March 2011
4.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy	Kadapa/Andhra Pradesh	08.05.2011	04.08.2011	Shri Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy resigned on 29 November 2010
5.	Shri Ajay Kumar	Jamshedpur/Jharkhand	01.07.2011	01.08.2011	Shri Arjun Munda resigned on 26 February 2011
6.	Shri Kuldeep Bishnoi	Hisar/Haryana	13.10.2011	22.11.2011	Shri Bhajan Lal died on 03 June 2011
7.	Shri Subrata Bakshi	Kolkata Dakshin/West Bengal	30.11.2011	21.12.2011	Km. Mamata Banerjee resigned on 09 October 2011
8.	Shri K. Jayaprakash Hegde	Udupi-Chikmaglur/Karnataka	18.03.2012	27.03.2012	Shri D. V. Sadananda Gowda resigned on 29 December 2011
9.	Shri M. Rajamohan Reddy	Nellore/Andhra Pradesh	12.06.2012	08.08.2012	Shri M. Rajamohan Reddy resigned on 28 February 2012
10.	Smt. Dimple Yadav	Kannauj/Uttar Pradesh	24.06.2012	08.08.2012	Shri Akhilesh Yadav resigned on 02 May 2012
11.	Smt. Mala Rajya Laxmi Shah	Tehri Garhwal/Uttarakhand	10.10.2012	22.11.2012	Shri Vijay Bahuguna resigned on 23 July 2012
12.	Shri Abhijit Mukherjee	Jangipur/West Bengal	10.10.2012	22.11.2012	Shri Pranab Mukherjee ceased to be a member of Lok Sabha on 25 July 2012 on his election as President of India
13.	Shri Prabhunath Singh	Maharajganj/Bihar	02.06.2013	05.08.2013	Shri Uma Shankar Singh died on 24 January 2013
14.	Shri Haribhai Parthibhai Chaudhary	Banaskantha/Gujarat	02.06.2013	05.08.2013	Shri Mukesh Bhairavdanji Gadhvi died on 1 March 2013
15.	Shri Vithalbhai Hansrajbhai Radadiya	Porbandar/Gujarat	02.06.2013	05.08.2013	Shri Vithalbhai Hansrajbhai Radadiya resigned on 03 January 2013
16.	Smt. Pratibha Singh	Mandi/Himachal Pradesh	23.06.2013	05.08.2013	Shri Virbhadra Singh resigned on 01 January 2013

1	2	3	4	5	6
17.	Shri Prasun Banerjee	Hawrah/West Bengal	02.06.2013	05.08.2013	Shri Ambica Banerjee died on 25 April 2013
18.	Shri D. K. Suresh	Bangalore Rural/Karnataka	21.08.2013	26.08.2013	Shri H. D. Kumaraswamy resigned on 21 May 2013
19.	Ms. Ramya Divya Spandana	Mandya/Karnataka	21.08.2013	26.08.2013	Shri N. Cheluvaraya Swamy resigned on 21 May 2013

STATEMENT 7

Names of Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Panel of Chairmen

Names	Period	
	From	To
Pro-tem Speakers		
Shri Manikrao Hodlya Gavit	01.06.2009	Till election of Speaker on 03.06.2009
Speaker		
Smt. Meira Kumar	03.06.2009	4.6.2014
Deputy Speaker		
Shri Kariya Munda	08.06.2009	18.5.2014
Panel of Chairmen		
Shri Basudeb Acharia*	01.06.2009	05.06.2009
Shri Arjun Charan Sethi*	01.06.2009	
Shri Biren Singh Engti*	01.06.2009	
Smt. Sumitra Mahajan*	01.06.2009	
Shri Basudeb Acharia	05.06.2009	Till 18.5.2014
Shri P.C. Chacko	05.06.2009	-do-
Smt. Sumitra Mahajan	05.06.2009	-do-
Shri Inder Singh Namdhari	05.06.2009	-do-
Shri Franscisco Sardinha	05.06.2009	-do-
Shri Arjun Charan Sethi	05.06.2009	-do-
Shri Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	05.06.2009	-do-
Dr. M. Thambidurai	05.06.2009	-do-
Shri Beni Prasad Verma	05.06.2009	19.01.2011#
Dr. (Km.) Girija Vyas	05.06.2009	17.06.2013¥
Shri Satpal Maharaj	01.03.2011	Till 18.5.2014
Shri Jagdambika Pal	18.07.2013	-do-

* Appointed by the President on 29 May 2009 under article 99 of the Constitution before whom members could make and subscribe oath or affirmation.

\# Ceased to be member of Panel of Chairpersons consequent upon being sworn in as Minister of State (Independent Charge) in the Ministry of Steel with effect from 19.1.2011.

¥ Ceased to be member of Panel of Chairpersons consequent upon being sworn in as Union Minister of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation with effect from 17.6.2013.

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DURATION AND SITTINGS OF LOK SABHA

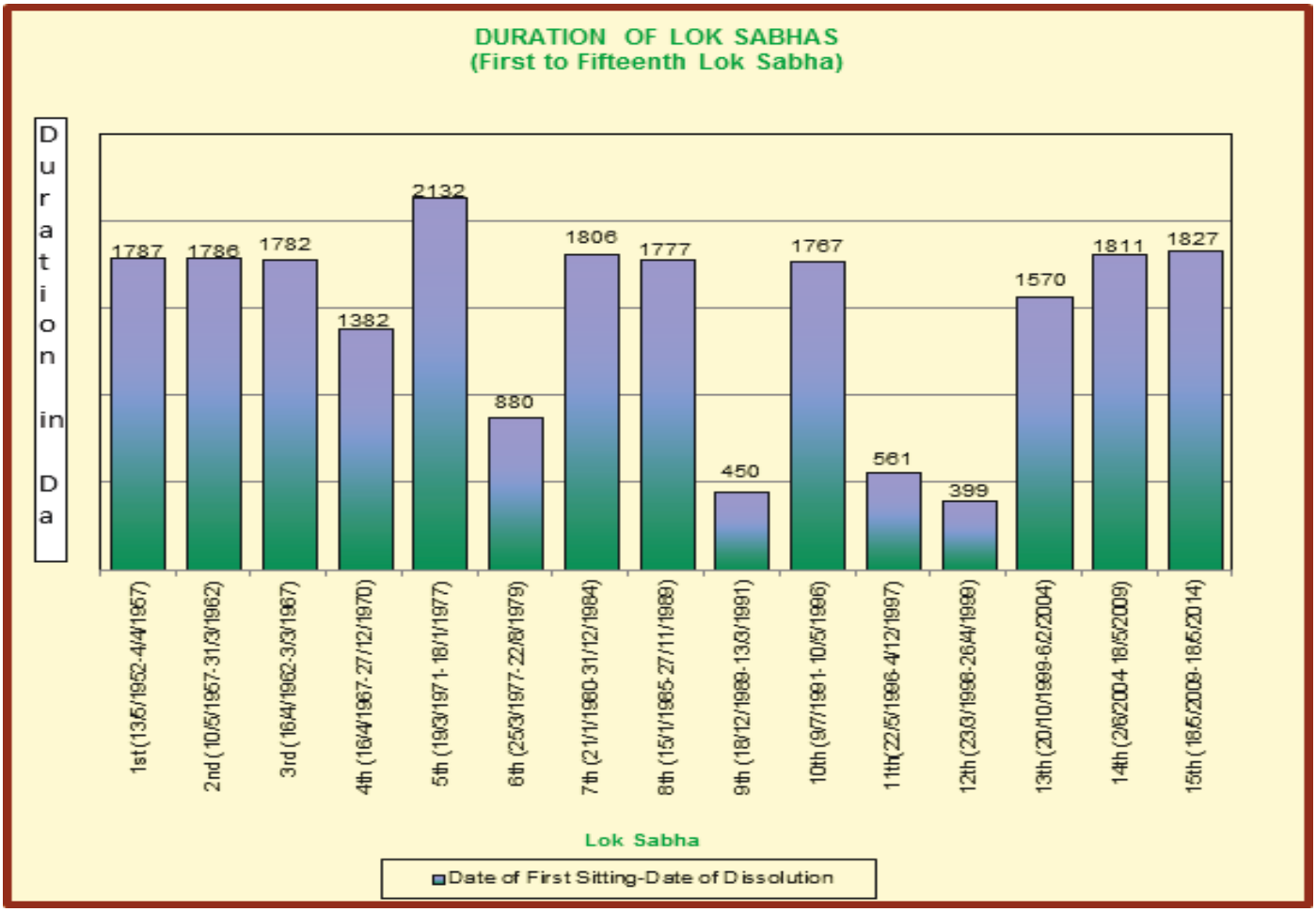
Parliament is the supreme legislative body of the country. Our Parliament consists of the President and the two Houses – the Rajya Sabha (Council of States) and the Lok Sabha (House of the People). The President has the power to summon and prorogue either House of Parliament and to dissolve the Lok Sabha. The Constitution provides that unless sooner dissolved, the Lok Sabha shall continue for a period of five years from the date appointed for its first meeting. However, in the eventuality of national emergency, Parliament may by law extend the duration of the Lok Sabha for a period not exceeding one year at a time and not extending beyond a period of six months after the emergency has ceased to operate.

Sessions

The Sessions of the Lok Sabha commencing after each General Election are numbered serially, beginning with the First. Normally, three Sessions of the Lok Sabha are held in a year, namely, the Budget Session, the Monsoon Session and the Winter Session. The Budget Session is the most important and the longest of the three Sessions, usually commencing sometime in the third week of February and ending by the middle of May. The Monsoon Session normally commences sometime in the middle of July and lasts till the third week of August. The Winter Session generally begins in the middle of November and comes to an end sometime in the last week of December.

Duration and Sittings

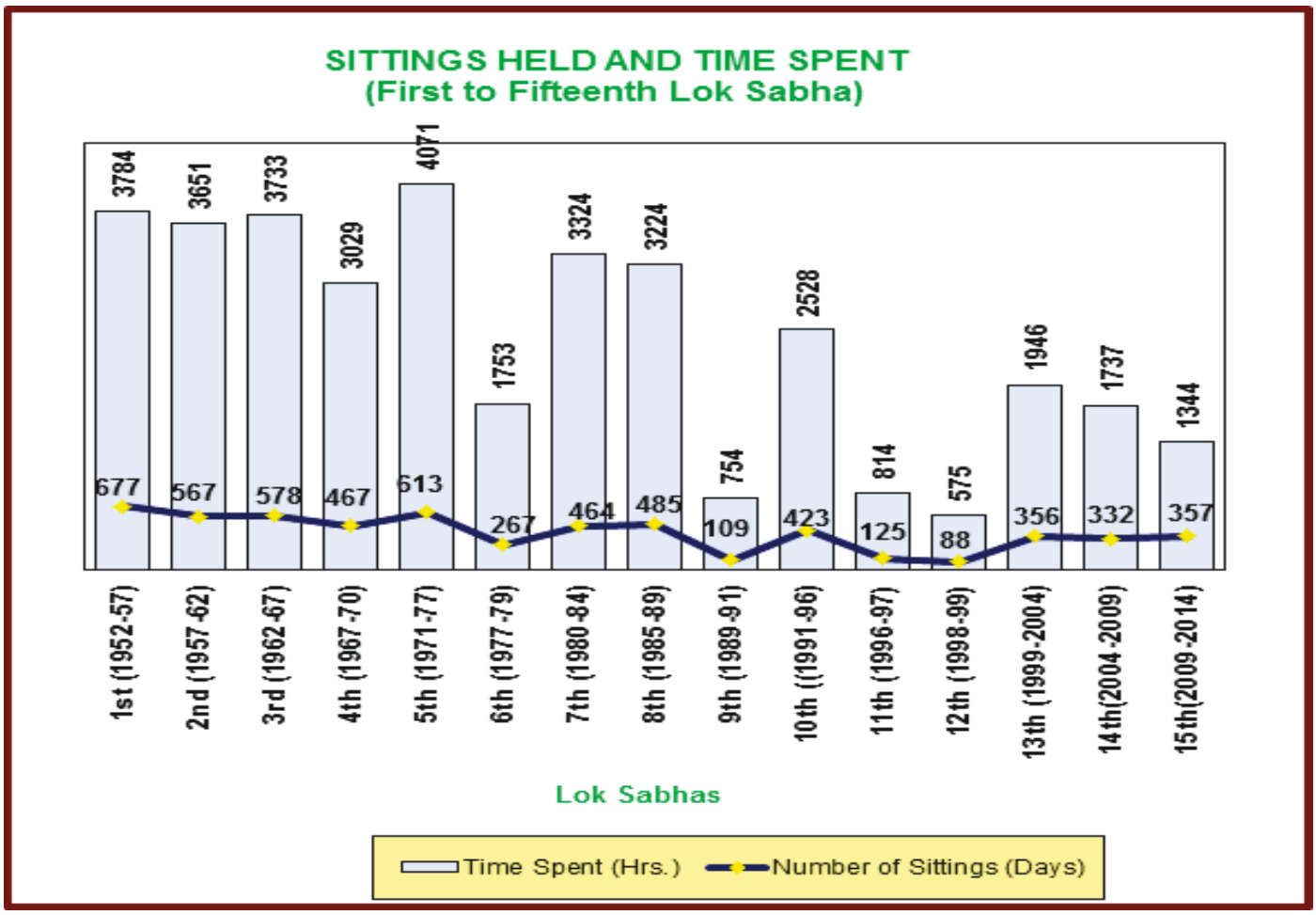
Each Lok Sabha has been identified by its serial number. After the coming into force of the Constitution of India on 26 January 1950 and following the First General Election held under the Constitution from 25 October 1951 to 21 February 1952, the first elected Lok Sabha was constituted on 17 April 1952. The First Lok Sabha met for the first time on 13 May 1952 and was dissolved by the President on 4 April 1957, thirty-eight days earlier than its normal life of five years. The Second Lok Sabha, which held its first sitting on 10 May 1957, was dissolved on 31 March 1962, forty days before the expiry of its term. The Third Lok Sabha held its first sitting on 16 April 1962, and was dissolved on 3 March 1967, forty-four days before the expiry of its term. The Fourth Lok Sabha met for the first time on 16 March 1967 and was dissolved on 27 December 1970, one year and seventy-nine days before the expiry of its term. The first sitting of the Fifth Lok Sabha was held on 19 March 1971. The term of the Fifth Lok Sabha, which was to expire on 18 March 1976, was extended by one year, *i.e.*, up to 18 March 1977 by the House of the People (Extension of Duration) Amendment Act, 1976. However, the House was dissolved on 18 January 1977 after having been in existence for a period of five years, ten months and six days. The Sixth Lok Sabha met for the first time on 25 March 1977 after the Sixth General Election. The normal term of the Lok Sabha was restored to five years under the Constitution (Forty fourth Amendment) Act, 1978. The House was, however, dissolved on 22 August 1979 after having been in existence for a period of two years, four months and twenty-eight days. The Seventh Lok Sabha had its first sitting on 21 January 1980. It was dissolved on 31 December 1984 after having been in existence for a period of four years, eleven months and ten days. The Eighth Lok Sabha had its first sitting on 15 January 1985. The term of this Lok Sabha was to expire on 14 January 1990. It was, however, dissolved on 27 November 1989 after having been in existence for a period of four years, ten months and sixteen days. The Ninth Lok Sabha met for the first time on 18 December 1989. After having been in existence for a period of one year, two months and twenty-six days, the House was dissolved on 13 March 1991. The Tenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 20 June 1991 and the first sitting of the House was held on 9 July 1991. It was dissolved on 10 May 1996 after having been in existence for a period of four years, ten months and three days. The Eleventh Lok Sabha was constituted on 15 May 1996 and the first sitting of the House was held on 22 May 1996. It was dissolved on 4 December 1997 after having been in existence for a period of one year, six months and nine days. The Twelfth Lok Sabha was constituted on 10 March 1998 and had its first sitting on 23 March 1998. It was dissolved on 26 April 1999 after having been in existence for 1 year, 1 month and 5 days only. The Thirteenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 10 October 1999, and its first sitting was held on 20 October 1999.



Its term was to expire on 19 October 2004; however, it was dissolved on 6 February 2004, *i.e.* 8 months and 12 days before the expiry of its term. The Fourteenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 17 May 2004 and the first sitting of the House was held on 2 June 2004. It was dissolved on 18 May 2009 having been in existence for a period of 4 years 11 months and 10 days.

The Fifteenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 18 May 2009 and the first sitting of the House was held on 1.6.2009. It was dissolved on 18 May 2014 having been in existence for a period of 5 years and 1 day. **Statement 10** shows the dates of commencement and termination of sessions of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

During its span, the Fifteenth Lok Sabha devoted 1344 hours and 37 minutes (including special sitting of the Lok Sabha to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of first sitting of Parliament on 13 May 2012) to transact various kinds of business in 357 sittings spanning 15 sessions. In comparison, the Fourteenth Lok Sabha devoted 1736 hours and 55 minutes in 332 sittings during its 15 sessions; the Thirteenth Lok Sabha devoted 1945 hours and 39 minutes in 356 sittings during 14 sessions; the Twelfth Lok Sabha devoted 574 hours and 55 minutes in 88 sittings spread over 4 sessions; the Eleventh Lok Sabha devoted 813 hours and 38 minutes in 125 sittings during 6 sessions; the Tenth Lok Sabha spent 2527 hours and 52 minutes in 423 sittings during 16 sessions; the Ninth Lok Sabha devoted 754 hours in 109 sittings during 7 sessions; the Eighth Lok Sabha devoted 3,223 hours and 52 minutes in 485 sittings during 14 sessions; and the Seventh Lok Sabha spent 3,324 hours and 1 minute in 464 sittings during its 15 sessions. The Sixth Lok Sabha held 267 sittings of about 1,753 hours duration during its 9 sessions; the Fifth Lok Sabha held 613 sittings of about 4,072 hours duration during 18 sessions; the Fourth Lok Sabha held 467 sittings of about 3,029 hours duration during 12 sessions; the Third Lok Sabha held 578 sittings of about 3,733 hours duration during 16 sessions; the Second



Lok Sabha held 567 sittings of about 3,651 hours duration during 16 sessions; and the First Lok Sabha held 677 sittings of about 3,784 hours duration during its 14 sessions.

The average duration of sittings during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 3 hours and 45 minutes as compared to 5 hours and 15 minutes of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, 5 hours and 46 minutes of the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 6 hours and 32 minutes of the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 6 hours and 30 minutes of the Eleventh; 5 hours and 58 minutes of the Tenth; 6 hours and 55 minutes of the Ninth; 6 hours and 39 minutes of the Eighth; 7 hours and 10 minutes of the Seventh; 6 hours and 34 minutes of the Sixth; 6 hours and 38 minutes of the Fifth; 6 hours and 29 minutes of the Fourth; 6 hours and 27 minutes of the Third; 6 hours and 26 minutes of the Second; and 5 hours and 35 minutes of the First Lok Sabha.

Statement 11 shows the number and duration of sittings of the House from 1929 onwards.

Time Spent on Various Kinds of Business

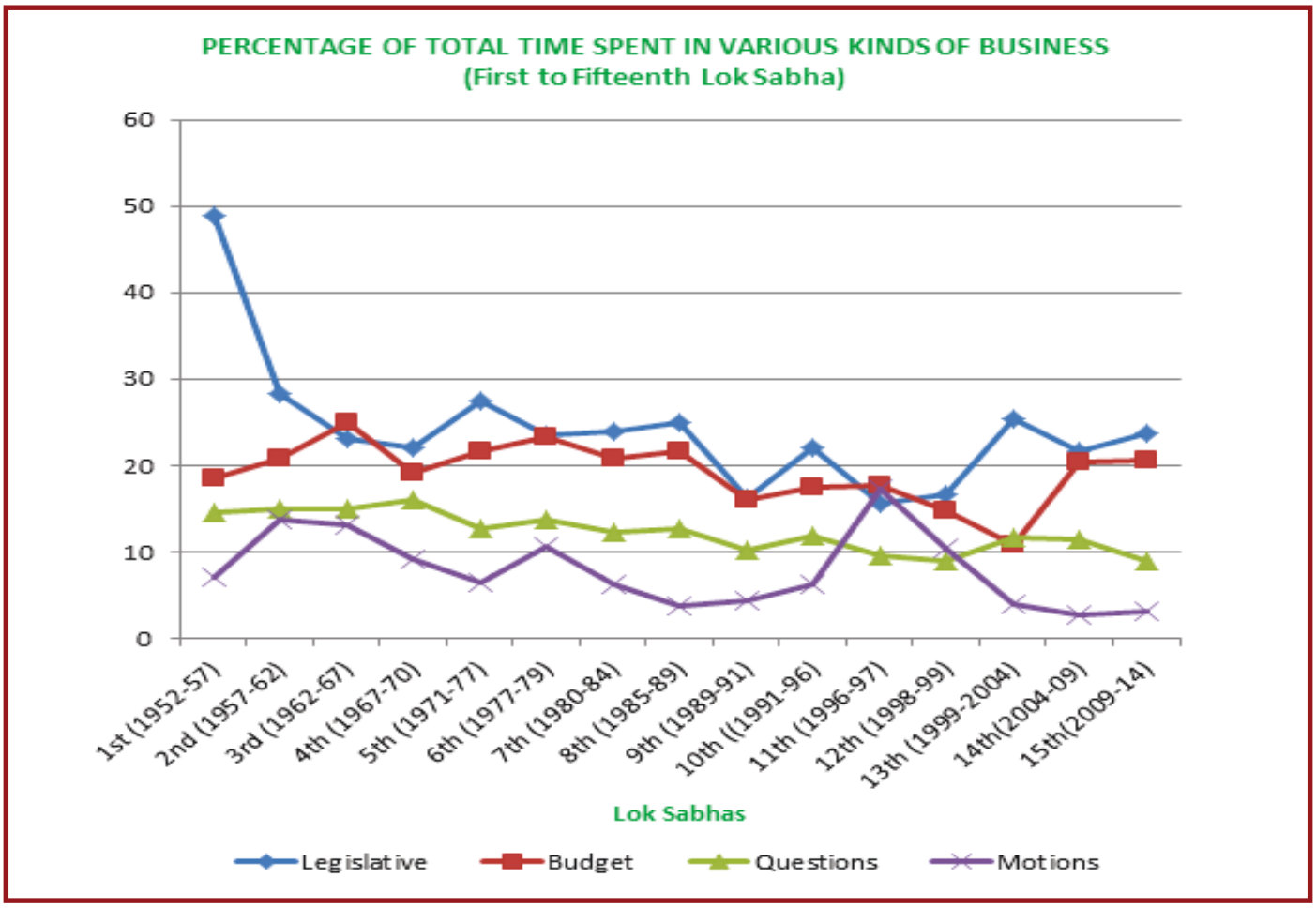
During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, of the total time of 1344 hours and 37 minutes taken by the House, Legislative Business (Government and Private Members Bills) took up 318 hours and 35 minutes or 23.79 per cent as against 375 hours and 40 minutes or 21.63 per cent of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, 493 hours and 79 minutes or 25.3 per cent of the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 95 hours and 25 minutes or 16.6 per cent of the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 128 hours and 15 minutes or 15.66 per cent in the Eleventh; 560 hours and 03 minutes or 22.16 per cent in the Tenth; 122 hours 37 minutes or 16.23 per cent in the Ninth; 806 hours and 59 minutes or 25 per cent in the Eighth; 797 hours and 48 minutes or 23.99 per cent in the Seventh; 412 hours and 28 minutes or 23.51 per cent in the Sixth; 1121 hours and 52 minutes or 27.55 per cent in the Fifth; 668 hours and 2 minutes or 22.08 per cent in the Fourth; 867 hours and 58 minutes or 23 per cent in the Third; 1031 hours and 58 minutes or 28.20 per cent in the Second; and 1844 hours and 2 minutes or 48.8 per cent in the First Lok Sabha.

The time involved in the discussion on Budgets was 276 hours 14 minutes or 20.63 per cent of the total in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha; 352 hours 52 minutes or 20.32 per cent of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 212 hours 55 minutes or 10.9 per cent of the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 82 hrs 26 minutes or 14.68 per cent of the total time spent in the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 17.60 per cent in the Eleventh Lok Sabha; 17.38 per cent in the Tenth; 16 per cent in the Ninth; 21.74 per cent in the Eighth; 20.84 per cent in the Seventh; 23.26 per cent in the Sixth; 21.64 per cent in the Fifth; 19.13 per cent in the Fourth; 25 per cent in the Third; 20.9 per cent in the Second; and 18.50 per cent in the First Lok Sabha.

Questions took up 121 hours 17 minutes or 9.05 per cent of the total time during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha as against 198 hours 22 minutes or 11.42 per cent of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 228 hours 23 minutes or 11.7 per cent of Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 8.96 per cent in the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 9.58 per cent in the Eleventh; 11.80 per cent in the Tenth; 10.14 per cent in the Ninth; 12.80 per cent in the Eighth; 12.20 per cent in the Seventh; 13.70 per cent in the Sixth; 12.61 per cent in the Fifth; 15.94 per cent in the Fourth; 15 per cent each in the Third and the Second; and 14.60 per cent in the First Lok Sabha.

The time spent on Resolutions in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 34 hours 56 minutes or 2.61 per cent of the total as against 55 hours and 16 minutes or 3.18 per cent of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 71 hours and 38 minutes or 3.7 per cent of the Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 4.45 per cent in the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 4.59 per cent in the Eleventh; 6.23 per cent in the Tenth; 5.77 per cent in the Ninth; 5.47 per cent in the Eighth; 3.96 per cent in the Seventh; 3.72 per cent in the Sixth; and 12.61 per cent in the Fifth. It was 6.45 per cent in the Fourth; 5.90 per cent in the Third; and 5.50 per cent in the Second. The First Lok Sabha devoted 6.30 per cent of its time on Resolutions.

The time taken on Motions in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 42 hours or 3.14 per cent of the total time as against 46 hours and 19 minutes or 2.67 per cent in Fourteenth Lok Sabha; 3.9 per cent in Thirteenth Lok Sabha; 10.45 per cent in the Twelfth Lok Sabha; 17.33 per cent in the Eleventh; 6.33 per cent in the Tenth; 4.34 per cent in the Ninth; 3.66 per cent in the Eighth; 6.35 per cent in the Seventh; 10.70 per cent in the Sixth; 6.55 per cent in the Fifth; 9.22 per cent in the Fourth; 13.20 per cent in the Third; 13.70 per cent in the Second; and 7.10 per cent in the First Lok Sabha. The remaining time was taken on Calling Attention Notices, Discussions under rules 55 and 193, Debates on Address by the President, Statements made by Ministers, Points of Order and other miscellaneous items as per details given in **Statement 12.**



Statement 13 enumerates, in a chronological order, some of the important items of business transacted by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha as also events of parliamentary importance that took place during its tenure.

STATEMENT 10

Dates of Commencement and Termination of the Sessions of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sessions	Date of Commencement	Date of Adjournment *sine die*	Total number of days on which sittings were held	Total number of days on which the House sat during the year
		2009		
First	01.06.2009	09.06.2009	7	
Second	02.07.2009	07.08.2009	26	54
Third	19.11.2009	18.12.2009	21	
		2010		
Fourth	22.02.2010	07.05.2010	32	
Fifth	26.07.2010	31.08.2010	26	81
Sixth	09.11.2010	13.12.2010	23	
		2011		
Seventh	21.02.2011	25.03.2011	23	
Eighth	01.08.2011	08.09.2011	26	73
Ninth	22.11.2011	29.12.2011	24	
		2012		
Tenth	12.03.2012	22.05.2012	35	
Eleventh	08.08.2012	07.09.2012	19	74
Twelfth	22.11.2012	20.12.2012	20	
		2013		
Thirteenth	21.02.2013	08.05.2013	32	
Fourteenth	05.08.2013	06.09. 2013	21	63
Fifteenth Part-I	05.12.2013	18.12.2013	10	
		2014		
Part-II	05.02.2014	21.02.2014	12	12

STATEMENT 11

Number and Duration of the Sittings of the Lok Sabha[1] (A Comparative Profile)

Year	No. of Sittings	Duration of Sittings (in hours approx.)
1	2	3
1929	62	295
1930	55	261
1931	83	394
1932	68	396
1933	109	510
1934	89	423
1935	66	206
1936	86	409
1937	78	468
1938	99	468
1939	59	280
1940	52	247
1941	46	219
1942	41	194
1943	67	319
1944	52	247
1945	41	194
1946	75	356
1947	68	323
1948	74	352
1949	79	362
1950	99	496
1951	150	987
1952	123	880

[1] Figures relate to Lok Sabha from 13 May 1952 onwards. In respect of the earlier periods, these relate to the Central Legislative Assembly (from 28 January 1929 to 3 February 1947); the Constituent Assembly (Legislative) from 17 November 1947 to 28 November 1949); and the Provisional Parliament (from 28 January 1950 to 5 February 1952).

1	2	3
1953	137	749
1954	137	716
1955	139	859
1956	151	1,026
1957	106	668
1958	125	781
1959	123	792
1960	121	798
1961	102	668
1962	116	730
1963	122	787
1964	122	753
1965	113	730
1966	119	810
1967	110	699
1968	120	801
1969	120	747
1970	119	782
1971	102	616
1972	111	700
1973	120	814
1974	119	853
1975	63	442
1976	98	645
1977	86	568
1978	115	768
1979	66	417
1980	98	679
1981	105	721
1982	92	640
1983	93	709

1	2	3
1984	77	575
1985	109	729
1986	98	693
1987	102	646
1988	102	677
1989	83	546
1990	81	584
1991	90	592
1992	98	575
1993	89	570
1994	77	445
1995	78	403
1996	71	394
1997	65	447
1998	64	438
1999	51	305
2000	85	467
2001	81	363
2002	84	470
2003	74	449
2004	53	238
2005	85	490
2006	77	437
2007	66	283
2008	46	258
2009	64	355
2010	81	281
2011	73	305
2012	74	273
2013	63	172
2014#	12	15

#Till 15th Session of 15th Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT 12

Time Taken by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on Various Kinds of Business

	Type of Business	Time taken		% of total time
		Hrs.	Mts.	
1.	**Legislative**	318	35	23.79
2.	**Budget** (General, Railways & States/UTs under President's Rule)	276	14	20.63
3.	**Questions** (Starred, Unstarred, Short Notice)	121	17	9.05
4.	**Motions** (Adjournment Motions, Motions under Rules 191 & 342 and Confidence Motions)	42	00	3.14
5.	**Resolutions** (Government, Statutory and Private Members' Resolutions)	34	56	2.61
6.	**Discussions** [Half-an-Hour Discussions (Rule 55) and Short Duration Discussions (Rule 193)]	179	49	13.43
7.	**Other Matters** (Calling Attention Debate on President's Address, Statements by Ministers, matters of urgent public importance raised after Question Hour, etc.)	366	11	27.35
	Total	1339	02	100

STATEMENT 13

Chronology of Important Events

2009

18-May-2009	The Fifteenth Lok Sabha was constituted.
29-May-2009	**Shri Manikrao Hodlya Gavit was appointed as *pro-term* Speaker by the President.**
1-June-2009	**The first sitting of the House was held.**
3-June-2009	**Smt. Meira Kumar was elected as Speaker of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.**
4-Jun-2009	President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, addressed the members of both the Houses assembled together in the Central Hall of the Parliament House.
5-Jun-2009	Dr. Girija Vyas moved the Motion of Thanks on the address by the President. It was seconded by Shri P.C. Chako.
8-June-2009	**Shri Kariya Munda was elected as Deputy Speaker of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.**
9-June-2009	**The House was adjourned *sine die.***

2-July-2009	**The Second Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
3-July-2009	Minister of Railways, Kumari Mamata Banerjee presented the Railway Budget for the year 2009-10.
6-July-2009	Minister of Finance, Shri Pranab Mukerjee, presented the General Budget for the year 2009-10.
8-July-2009	Minister of State for Finance, Shri Namo Narain Meena, presented the Budget (Jharkhand) for the year 2009-10.
9-July-2009	Minister of Railways replied to the debate on the Budget (Railways) for 2009-10 which took place on 7, 8 and 9 July, 2009. Demands for Grants in respect of the Railways Budget 2009-10 were voted in full.
14-July-2009	Finance Minister replied to the debate on the Budget (General) for 2009-10 which took place on 9, 10, 13 and 14 July, 2009.
23-July-2009	Demands for Grants relating to the Ministries of Human Resource Development, Agriculture, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Power, Home Affairs, Human and Child Development were discussed and voted in full on 15, 17, 20, 21, 22, and 23 July, 2009. Demands for Grants in respect of the General Budget 2009-10 were voted in full.
7-Aug-2009	**Second Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die.***
19-Nov-2009	**Third Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
15-Dec-2009	Hon'ble Speaker constituted a new Joint Parliamentary Committee on Maintenance of Heritage Character and Development of Parliament House Complex.
18-Dec-2009	**Third Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
	2010
22-Feb-2010	**Fourth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
22-Feb-2010	President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, addressed the members of both the Houses assembled together in the Central Hall of the Parliament House.
22-Feb-2010	Speaker made obituary reference to the passing away of Shri Jyoti Basu (former Chief Minister, West Bengal) who passed away on 17.01.2010.
24-Feb-2010	Minister of Railways, Kumari Mamata Banerjee presented the Railway Budget for the year 2010-11.
26-Feb-2010	Minister of Finance, Shri Pranab Mukerjee, presented the General Budget for the year 2010-11.
26-Feb-2010	Members of the Opposition staged a walkout from the House against the price rise in petroleum prices announced by the Finance Minister during the Budget speech.
3-Mar-2010	Shri Inderjit Singh Rao, moved the Motion of Thanks on the address by the President. It was seconded by Kumari Meenakshi Natrajan.
9-Mar-2010	Minister of Railways replied to the debate on the Budget (Railways) for 2010-11 which took place on 8 and 9 March, 2010.
12-Mar-2010	Finance Minister replied to the debate on the Budget (General) for 2010-11 which took place on 11 and 12 March, 2010.
19-April-2010	Demands for Grants in respect of the Railways Budget 2010-11 were voted in full.
23-April-2010	Demands for Grants relating to the Ministries of External Affairs, Rural Development, Ministry of Tribal Affairs were discussed and voted in full on 20, 22 and 23 April, 2010. Demands for Grants in respect of the General Budget 2010-11 were voted in full.
7-May-2010	**Fourth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
26-July-2010	**Fifth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**

3-Aug-2010 4-Aug-2010	The motion regarding the inflationary pressure on the economy and its adverse impact on the common man was raised by Smt. Sushma Swaraj under rule 342. After conclusion of discussion on the Motion, a Resolution placed before the House by the Speaker was unanimously adopted.
4-Aug-2010	The motion regarding the issues of Population Stabilisation in the country raised by Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad under rule 342 was discussed.
31-Aug-2010	**Fifth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
9-Nov-2010	**Sixth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
13-Dec-2010	**Sixth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
	2011
21-Feb-2011	**The Seventh Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
21-Feb-2011	President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, addressed the members of both the Houses assembled together in the Central Hall of the Parliament House.
24-Feb-2011	Shri P.C. Chako, moved the Motion of Thanks on the address by the President. It was seconded by Shri Manish Tiwari.
25-Feb-2011	Minister of Railways, Kumari Mamta Banerjee presented the Railway Budget for the year 2011-12.
28-Feb-2011	Minister of Finance, Shri Pranab Mukerjee, presented the General Budget for the year 2011-12.
7-Mar-2011	Minister of Railways replied to the debate on the Budget (Railways) for 2011-12 which took place on 4 and 7 March, 2011. Demands for Grants in respect of the Railways Budget 2011-12 were voted in full.
11-Mar-2011	Finance Minister replied to the debate on the Budget (General) for 2011-12 which took place on 8, 9 and 11 March, 2011.
16-Mar-2011	Demands for Grants relating to the Ministries of Rural Development, Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Mines were discussed and voted in full on 14, 15 and 16 March, 2011.
17-Mar-2011	Demands for Grants in respect of the General Budget 2011-12 were voted in full.
25-Mar-2011	**Seventh Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
1-Aug-2011	**The Eighth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
8-Sept-2011	**Eighth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
22-Nov-2011	**The Ninth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
12-Dec-2011	Speaker made a reference on the occasion of 100 years of return of Capital (12.12.1911) of the country to Delhi.
19-Dec-2011	Speaker made a reference on the occasion of Golden Jubilee of liberation of Goa.
27-Dec-2011	Speaker made a reference on the occasion of completion of 100 years of first rendition of National Anthem.
29-Dec-2011	**Ninth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
	2012
12-Mar-2012	**The Tenth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
12-Mar-2012	President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, addressed the members of both the Houses assembled together in the Central Hall of the Parliament House.
14-Mar-2012	Minister of Railways, Shri Mukul Roy presented the Railway Budget for the year 2012-13.
16-Mar-2012	Minister of Finance, Shri Pranab Mukerjee, presented the General Budget for the year 2012-13.
19-Mar-2012	Dr. Girija Vyas moved the Motion of Thanks on the address by the President. It was seconded by Dr. Shashi Tharoor.

22-Mar-2012	Minister of Railways replied to the debate on the Budget (Railways) for 2012-13 which took place on 20, 21 and 22 March, 2012.
27-Mar-2012	Finance Minister replied to the debate on the Budget (General) for 2012-13 which took place on 22, 26 and 27 March, 2012.
26-Apr-2012	Demands for Grants in respect of the Railways Budget 2012-13 were voted in full.
3-May-2012	Demands for Grants relating to the Ministries of Health and Family Welfare, Urban Development, Home Affairs and Commerce and Industry were discussed and voted in full on 26, 27, 30 April and 2 and 3 May, 2012. Demands for Grants in respect of the General Budget 2012-13 were voted in full.
13-May-2012	A special sitting was held to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament of India. At the sitting, the subject "Sixty years Journey of the Indian Parliament" was discussed and after the discussion was over and valedictory reference made, Speaker placed a Resolution before the House, which was unanimously passed.
22-May-2012	**Tenth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
4-Jun-2012	A Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes was constituted by a motion adopted by the House on 21.12.2011.
25-July-2012	Shri Pranab Mukherjee, former Union Cabinet Minister ceased to be a member of 15th Lok Sabha consequent upon his adorning the office of the President of India.
2-Aug-2012	Hon'ble Speaker constituted a Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with Members of Lok Sabha.
8-Aug-2012	**The Eleventh Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
16-Aug-2012	Speaker made a obituary reference to the passing away of Shri Vilas Rao Deshmukh, Union Cabinet Minister and sitting Member of Rajya Sabha who passed away on 14.08.2012.
7-Sept-2012	**Eleventh Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
22-Nov-2012	**The Twelfth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
22-Nov-2012	Speaker made a obituary reference to the passing away of Shri Bal Keshav Thackeray, Founder of Shiv-Sena and non-member who passed away on 17.11.2012.
03-Dec-2012	Speaker made a obituary reference to the passing away of Shri Inder Kumar Gujral, former Prime Minister of India who passed away on 30.11.2012.
4-Dec-2012 5-Dec-2012	Smt. Sushma Swaraj tabled notice under rule 184 about immediate withdrawal of Government's decision to allow 51% Foreign Direct Investment in multi-brand retail trade. The discussion was held together with the two Motions for Modification of Notification [G.S.R. 795(E) dated the 19th October, 2012] made under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, moved by Prof. Saugata Roy and Shri Hassan Khan, respectively. The motion was negatived.
20-Dec-2012	**Twelfth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
	2013
21-Feb-2013	**The Thirteenth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
21-Feb-2013	President, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, addressed the members of both the Houses assembled together in the Central Hall of the Parliament House.
26-Feb-2013	Minister of Railways, Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal presented the Railway Budget for the year 2013-14.
28-Feb-2013	Minister of Finance, Shri P. Chidambaram, presented the General Budget for the year 2013-14.
6-Mar-2013	Shri P.C. Chako moved the Motion of Thanks on the address by the President. It was seconded by Dr. Girija Vyas.
13-Mar-2013	Minister of Railways replied to the debate on the Budget (Railways) for 2013-14 which took place on 7, 8, 11, 12 and 13 March, 2013.

14-Mar-2013	Minister of Finance, Shri P. Chidambaram, presented the Budget (Jharkhand) for the year 2013-14.
14-Mar-2013	Finance Minister replied to the debate on the Budget (General) for 2013-14 which took place on 13 and 14 March, 2013.
30-Apr-2013	Demands for Grants in respect of the General Budget 2013-14 were voted in full.
30-Apr-2013	Demands for Grants in respect of the Railways Budget 2013-14 were voted in full.
8-May-2013	**Thirteenth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
5-Aug-2013	**The Fourteenth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
23-Aug-2013	12 Members from Andhra Pradesh were suspended for five consecutive sittings of the House under Rule 374A of the Rules of Procedure & Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha. This rule was used for the first time.
2-Sept-2013	9 members from Andhra Pradesh were suspended from the services of the House for five consecutive sittings under Rule 374A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha.
6-Sept-2013	**Fourteenth Session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*.**
30-Sept-2013	Sarvashri Lalu Prasad and Jagdish Sharma stands disqualified from the membership of 15th Lok Sabha under Article 102 (1) (c) of the Constitution read with Section 8 of the Representation of Public Act, 1951
5-Dec-2013	**The Fifteenth Session (Part-I) of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
6-Dec-2013	Speaker made a obituary reference to the passing away of Mr. Nelson Mandela, former President of Republic of South Africa and Bharat Ratna Recipient who passed away on 06.12.2013.
16-Dec-2013	Speaker made a obituary reference to the passing away of Shri Sheesh Ram Ola, Union Cabinet Minister and sitting member, who passed away on 15.12.2013.
18-Dec-2013	**The House was adjourned *sine die*.**
	2014
5-Feb-2014	**The Fifteenth Session (Part-II) of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha commenced.**
12-Feb-2014	Minister of Railways, Shri Mallikarjun Kharge presented the Interim Railway Budget for the year 2014-15.
13-Feb-2014	Shri L. Raja Gopal, MP from Vijayawada of Andhra Pradesh used pepper spray in the well of the House during the introduction of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Bill, 2014. He along with 15 other members were thereafter suspended from the services of the House for five consecutive sittings under Rule 374A of the Rules of Procedure & Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha.
13-Feb-2014	The Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha as well as Directions by the Speaker Lok Sabha were made gender neutral. The gender neutral Rules and Directions as recommended by the Rules Committee and agreed by the House came into force w.e.f. 13.02.2014.
17-Feb-2014	Minister of Finance, Shri P. Chidambaram, presented the Interim General Budget for the year 2014-15.
17-Feb-2014	Demands for Grants in respect of the Interim Railways Budget 2014-15 were voted in full.
19-Feb-2014	Demands for Grants in respect of the Interim General Budget 2014-15 were voted in full.
21-Feb-2014	Minister of State for Finance, Shri Jesudasu Seelam, presented the Budget (NCT of Delhi) for the year 2014-15.
21-Feb-2014	The Fifteenth session of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha adjourned *sine die*
18-May-2014	The Fifteenth Lok Sabha was dissolved.

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MEMBERS AND MINISTERS

Membership of Lok Sabha

Article 81 of the Constitution of India provides that the House of the People (Lok Sabha) shall consist of not more than 530 members chosen by direct election from the territorial constituencies in the States and not more than 20 members to represent the Union territories. Under article 331 of the Constitution, the President may, if he is of the opinion that the Anglo-Indian community is not adequately represented in the House, nominate not more than two members of that community to the House. In pursuance of this provision, two members of this community have been nominated to all the Lok Sabha so far.

Article 82 of the Constitution, as amended by the Constitution (Forty-second Amendment) Act, 1976, provided that the number of seats as allocated and the territorial extent of constituencies as determined by the Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Order, 1976, were unalterable until the publication of the population figures of the first Census following the year 2000. In other words, till the population figures taken in the Census of the year 2001 were published, there could be no change in the existing number of seats allotted in the Lok Sabha to various States and Union territories. Pursuant to the enactment of the Constitution Eighty-fourth Amendment Act, 2001, the Delimitation Act, 2002 was enacted. As per the Act, the Delimitation Commission was constituted on 12 July 2002 with Shri Kuldip Singh, retired Judge of the Supreme Court as its Chairman and Shri B. B. Tandon, Election Commissioner in the Election Commission of India and the State Election Commissioners as *ex-officio* members. As per the Delimitation Act, 2002 originally enacted, the delimitation of electoral constituencies was to be effected on the basis of the 1991 population Census. However, subsequent to the passage of the Delimitation (Amendment) Bill, 2003 in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha on 9 December and 16 December, 2003, respectively, which received Presidential assent on 1 January 2004, the readjustment/delimitation of electoral constituencies was worked out on the basis of the Census of 2001.

The allocation of seats in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha to the various States and Union territories is stated in **Statement 12.**

Following the completion of the General Elections held on 16 April, 22 April, 23 April, 30 April, 7 May and 13 May 2009, the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was constituted on 18 May 2009. It comprised 543 members elected from various parliamentary constituencies in the States and Union territories. On 18 September 2009, Shri Charles Dias and Smt. Ingrid Mcleod from the Anglo Indian Community were nominated by the President in terms of article 331 of the Constitution.

Socio-Economic Profile of Members

On the basis of information available on the date of constitution of Fifteenth Lok Sabha *i.e.* 18 May 2009, statistical details of the members of Parliament regarding their age distribution, educational background, occupational pattern and previous legislative experience, a socio-economic background of the members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, has been made. This also includes information on two nominated members, besides one member elected in a bye-election on 7.11.2009. The main findings are summarised in the following paragraphs:

I. Age Profile

There are no statutory provisions regarding upper age limit for membership of Parliament. The Constitution, however, prescribes a minimum age of 25 years to contest elections for membership of the Lok Sabha and 30 years for membership of the Rajya Sabha.

Statement 13 gives a comparative picture about members of various Lok Sabha classified in 13 different age groups with a span of 5 years, beginning with the age group of 25-30 years and ending with 86-90 years. The highest concentration of members in most of the Lok Sabha has been seen within the 15-year interval age group of 41-55 years, except the Second, Seventh, Eighth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The Fifth Lok Sabha recorded the highest number of 269 members within this 15-year interval age group, accounting for

53.37 per cent of the House. The Seventh, Eighth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Lok Sabha have the highest concentration of members in the 15-year interval age-group of 46-60 years while the Second Lok Sabha had the highest concentration in the 36-50 years' age-group.

Significantly, there has been a steep decline in the representation of young members in the age group of 25-35 years from 17.75 per cent in the First Lok Sabha to 6.79 per cent in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. However, the category of members in the age group of 36-45 years has shown consistent presence. On the other hand, the category of members belonging to the age-group of 56-65 years has registered a steady progress. From the lowest point of 16.45 per cent of the total in the First Lok Sabha, they have reached their highest representation in the Eighth Lok Sabha with 29.01 per cent. The Fourteenth and Fifteenth Lok Sabha have both registered their concentration at 26.97 per cent. Similarly, the category of members in the age group of 66-75 years has also made slow but steady improvement in its representation from its lowest at just 2.38 per cent in the First Lok Sabha to the highest at 12.79 per cent in the Eleventh Lok Sabha.

In terms of average age of members, there has been an upward trend generally from the First Lok Sabha, although it has fluctuated over the various Lok Sabha. From the average age of 46.5 years in the First Lok Sabha, it came to the highest average age of 55.5 years in the Thirteenth Lok Sabha, making it the oldest Lok Sabha so far. Interestingly, the preceding Twelfth Lok Sabha was the youngest House with an average age of 46.4 years. In the Sixth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the average age was above 50 years. **Statement 14** shows the average age of the various Lok Sabha.

II. Educational Background

For making a comparative analysis of their educational background, members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha have been classified into six categories. **Statement 15** indicates the education background of members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. It has been seen that the number of members belonging to the Under-Matriculate category has been on the decline. The First, Second, Third and Fifth Lok Sabha each recorded this category at more than 23 per cent of the total membership of the House which came down drastically to below 3 per cent in the Ninth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Lok Sabha. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha has 4.4 per cent of this category. Members belonging to the category of Matriculates/Higher Secondary or Intermediate Certificate Holders have also declined from the highest of 24.91 per cent in the Sixth Lok Sabha to its lowest of 8.73 per cent in the Tenth Lok Sabha. However, taken together with the Under-Graduates, this category has hovered in the range of 15-25 per cent across different Lok Sabha.

Going by any single category, Graduates accounted for the highest representation across all the Lok Sabha, with 50.46 per cent in the Fourteenth Lok Sabha as the maximum. They accounted for more than 40 per cent since the Seventh Lok Sabha. Category-wise, the number of Post-Graduates has registered a steady progress from its lowest of 17.82 per cent in the First Lok Sabha to its highest of 28.82 per cent in the Eleventh Lok Sabha. However, it has come down to 24.59 per cent in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The category of members having Doctoral Degree or other high academic qualification has improved its position from 3.14 per cent in the First Lok Sabha to 5.14 per cent in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

One of the striking features of membership pattern has been the upward movement of the graph relating to educational profile of members in successive Lok Sabha. Members belonging to the category of Graduates and above have registered consistent improvement and the Fourteenth Lok Sabha emerged as the 'most educated House'. The combined representation of Graduates and above which was just 58.07 per cent in the First Lok Sabha rose to a very high percentage of 82.19 in the Fourteenth Lok Sabha. In the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the combined representation came down to 78.35 per cent.

III. Occupational Pattern

To study the occupational background of members of different Lok Sabha, they have been categorized into different professions and occupations. Where a member was engaged in more than one occupations, only the one which members have put on top of the list has been taken into account.

In the First and Second Lok Sabha, Agriculturists formed the second largest group. But their strength has gone up over the various Lok Sabha. From the Third Lok Sabha onwards till the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, they constituted the largest group among the occupational categories. This shows that the majority of the members are emerging from the rural background which is in conformity with the predominantly rural economic scene in India. Their growing strength in successive Lok Sabha also indicates a definite trend towards decentralization of power from urban elites to those who belong to the grass-roots.

In the early years of the history of the Lok Sabha, Lawyers constituted the single largest group in the First and the Second Lok Sabha. Since then, they have been overtaken by Agriculturists to make them the second largest group from the Third to the Eighth Lok Sabha, excepting the Fourth Lok Sabha when they became the third largest group. Thereafter, a steep decline began in their numbers.

The category of Political and Social Workers was included in the study for the first time in the Third Lok Sabha. Since then, this category has received a consistently prominent representation, making it the second largest group in the Fourth Lok Sabha, and continuously from the Ninth to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. From its lowest in the Eighth Lok Sabha with 16.04 per cent, they have reached the maximum of 27.07 per cent in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The prominence of Political and Social Workers as a category assumes significance in the context of the working of the Indian political system and is reflective of the fact that for many members, politics or parliamentary work has become a full time engagement.

Over the years, members from various other categories of occupation have thrown themselves into the political arena. **Statement 16** shows the detailed statement about representation of 24 categories of occupational background of members in terms of number and percentage of the members of all the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Women Members

After Independence, the Constitution of India threw open to all adult citizens above the age of 25 years, irrespective of sex, the opportunity to be chosen as people's representatives and adopted the principle of adult franchise to elect such representatives. However, due to the prevalent traditional norms and culturally ordained roles for men and women in the society, the growth of women's representation in the Lok Sabha has been slow and inconsistent as per **Statement 17**.

As compared to 22 women members (4.41%) in the First Lok Sabha, their number has nearly trebled and reached an all time high in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha with 60 members (11.01%). However, the percentage of women members in the Lok Sabha looks dismal in comparison with the world average of 19.7 per cent in 2011. The legislative experience of members in the previous Lok Sabha from the Seventh Lok Sabha onwards also shows a healthy mix of new members and members with experience in previous Lok Sabha. The Fifteenth Lok Sabha has not only the highest number of women members so far but has the largest number of new women members and an almost equal proportion of members who have had experience in previous Lok Sabha.

A comparative study of the age profiles of women members has been made in **Statement 18**. The assessment from the Seventh Lok Sabha onwards suggests that, like the general trend with regard to total membership of the House, the highest concentration of women members in most of the Lok Sabha has also been seen within the 15-year interval age group of 41-55 years. The Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth Lok Sabha lowered the age of the largest concentration of women members to the 15-year interval group of 36-50 years while the Seventh Lok Sabha showed an upward pattern in the 46-60 years' age group.

An analysis of the educational background of women members **(Statement 19)** reveals that the number of educated women members is on the rise. In the Seventh, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh and Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Graduates constituted the largest group. Unlike the general trend in the House, the Twelfth and Thirteenth Lok Sabha showed a predominance of Post-Graduates among women members while the Fourteenth Lok Sabha had an equally high concentration of Graduates and Post-Graduates. Women members belonging to the category of Graduates and above have registered consistent improvement and formed an overwhelming majority of over 80 per cent in the Tenth, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Lok Sabha. In the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, their combined representation came down to 78.33 per cent.

The pattern of distribution of women members according to their prior occupation is shown in **Statement 20**. The general trend so far has been to have the maximum number of women members with political and social work as their major area of interest in contrast to the whole House where Agriculturists form the majority. In seven out of the nine Lok Sabha under study, Political and Social Workers have accounted for more than 40 per cent of women members. Women members with agriculture as profession formed the second largest group in the Seventh, Eighth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Lok Sabha while Teachers and Educationists accounted for the second largest representation in the Ninth, Tenth and Thirteenth Lok Sabha. Among other professions, Artists have received continuous representation since the Eighth Lok Sabha as also Lawyers since the Ninth Lok Sabha among women members.

Legislative Experience

Of the 545 members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 291 members were new to the House while 184 had been members of the earlier fourteen Lok Sabha and 52 members had experience of Rajya Sabha. A total of 255 new members had previous legislative experience of the State Legislatures exclusively. Thirty-eight political parties/groups were represented in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Expenditure on Members

Information on annual expenditure incurred on members during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha *vis-à-vis* the First to Fourteenth Lok Sabha is contained in **Statement 21**.

Council of Ministers

Dr. Manmohan Singh was sworn in as the Prime Minister of India on 18 May 2009. **Statement 22** contains the names of members of the Union Council of Ministers along with their portfolios during the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Leave of Absence

During the span of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 50 members were granted leave of absence from the sittings of the House. **Statement 23** gives details of leave of absence granted to members.

Resignations by Members

During the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, twenty-four members resigned their seats in the House. **Statement 24** gives details of the same.

Death of sitting Members

Shri Sis Ram Ola, Shri Muralilal Singh, Shri Dililp Singh Judeo, Shri Ambica Banerjee, Shri Mukesh Bhairavdanji Gadhvi, Shri Umashanker Singh, Shri Bhajan Lal, Shri Baliram Kashyap and Shri Digvijay Singh sitting members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, died during its tenure.

Obituary References

In all, 359 obituary references were made during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. Details of these obituary references are given in **Statement 25**.

STATEMENT 12

Allocation of Seats to States and Union Territories in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	States/Union Territories	Number of Seats
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	42
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2
3.	Assam	14
4.	Bihar	40
5.	Chhattisgarh	11
6.	Goa	2
7.	Gujarat	26
8.	Haryana	10
9.	Himachal Pradesh	4

1	2	3
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	6
11.	Jharkhand	14
12.	Karnataka	28
13.	Kerala	20
14.	Madhya Pradesh	29
15.	Maharashtra	48
16.	Manipur	2
17.	Meghalaya	2
18.	Mizoram	1
19.	Nagaland	1
20.	NCT Delhi	7
21.	Odisha	21
22.	Puducherry	1
23.	Punjab	13
24.	Rajasthan	25
25.	Sikkim	1
26.	Tamil Nadu	39
27.	Tripura	2
28.	Uttar Pradesh	80
29.	Uttarakhand	5
30.	West Bengal	42
31.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1
32.	Chandigarh	1
33.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1
34.	Daman & Diu	1
35.	Lakshadweep	1
	Nominated Members in Lok Sabha	2
	Total	545

Source: Election Commission of India.

STATEMENT 13

Distribution of Members by age groups
(First to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Age Group	1st LS		2nd LS		3rd LS		4th LS		5th LS		6th LS		7th LS		8th LS		9th LS		10th LS		11th LS		12th LS		13th LS		14th LS		15th LS	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
25-30 Years	28	6.06	13	2.67	11	2.32	22	4.44	16	3.17	18	3.47	9	1.73	7	1.32	14	2.68	8	1.58	11	2.13	11	2.06	5	0.92	10	1.83	9	1.65
31-35 Years	54	11.69	60	12.35	34	7.16	37	7.46	28	5.56	26	5.01	43	8.29	36	6.78	17	3.26	32	6.34	22	4.26	23	4.30	24	4.44	21	3.85	28	5.14
36-40 Years	58	12.55	91	18.72	64	13.47	68	13.71	62	12.30	62	11.95	71	13.68	60	11.30	55	10.54	50	9.90	43	8.33	45	8.41	49	9.06	45	8.26	43	7.89
41-45 Years	68	14.72	71	14.61	79	16.63	84	16.94	76	15.08	69	13.29	75	15.45	73	13.75	76	14.56	75	14.85	77	14.92	78	14.58	84	15.53	64	11.74	73	13.39
46-50 Years	74	16.02	64	13.17	73	15.37	85	17.04	99	19.64	94	18.11	70	13.49	77	14.50	92	17.62	87	17.23	82	15.89	98	18.32	87	16.08	93	17.06	78	14.31
51-55 Years	93	20.13	76	15.64	69	14.53	69	13.91	94	18.65	94	18.11	84	16.18	74	13.94	82	15.71	71	14.06	80	15.50	83	15.51	93	17.19	84	15.41	95	17.43
56-60 Years	47	10.17	70	14.40	58	12.21	55	11.09	57	11.31	66	12.72	87	16.76	80	15.07	68	13.03	65	12.87	65	12.60	64	11.96	62	11.46	94	17.25	84	15.41
61-65 Years	29	6.28	25	5.14	58	12.21	39	7.86	35	6.94	41	7.90	41	7.90	74	13.94	63	12.07	66	13.07	59	11.43	61	11.40	64	11.83	53	9.72	63	11.56
66-70 Years	10	2.16	12	2.47	21	4.42	25	5.04	25	4.96	33	6.36	24	4.62	30	5.65	41	7.85	32	6.34	47	9.11	44	8.22	40	7.39	45	8.26	36	6.61
71-75 Years	1	0.22	4	0.82	6	1.26	10	2.02	9	1.79	11	2.12	11	2.12	11	2.07	12	2.30	14	2.77	19	3.68	19	3.55	25	4.62	22	4.04	23	4.22
76-80 Years	–	–	–	–	1	0.21	1	0.20	2	0.40	4	0.77	3	0.58	6	1.13	1	0.19	4	0.79	8	1.55	7	1.31	5	0.92	12	2.20	10	1.83
81-85 Years	–	–	–	–	1	0.21	1	0.20	1	0.20	1	0.19	1	0.19	3	0.56	–	–	1	0.20	3	0.58	2	0.37	3	0.55	2	0.37	2	0.37
86-90 Years	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.18
Total number of members who supplied information	462		486		475		496		504		519		519		531		522		505		516		535		541		545		545^	
Total number of seats including nominated members	499		500		503		523		521		544		544		545		545		545		545		545		545		545		545	

Percentage is based on the total number of members who supplied information.

^As on the date of constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 18.5.2009, including two nominated members and Shri Raj Babbar who was elected in a bye-election held on 7.11.2009.

STATEMENT 14

Average age of Members
(First to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Lok Sabha	Average Age
First (1952-57)	46.5
Second (1957-62)	46.7
Third (1962-67)	49.4
Fourth (1967-70)	48.7
Fifth (1971-77)	49.2
Sixth (1977-79)	52.1
Seventh (1980-84)	49.9
Eighth (1984-89)	51.4
Ninth (1989-91)	51.3
Tenth (1991-96)	51.4
Eleventh (1996-97)	52.8
Twelfth (1998-99)	46.4
Thirteenth (1999-2004)	55.5
Fourteenth (2004-09)	52.2
Fifteenth (2009—till date)	53.7*

Average age is based on the total number of members who supplied information as in Table 1.

*As on the date of constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 18.5.2009, including two nominated members and Shri Raj Babbar who was elected in a bye-election held on 7.11.2009.

STATEMENT 15

Educational Background of Members (First to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Educational Qualification	1st LS		2nd LS		3rd LS		4th LS		5th LS		6th LS		7th LS		8th LS		9th LS		10th LS		11th LS		12th LS		13th LS		14th LS		15th LS	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Under-Matriculates	112	23.48	120	25.48	141	28.78	54	11.81	119	23.15	52	9.81	53	10.04	42	7.88	10	2.09	18	3.57	15	2.90	12	2.27	15	2.81	15	2.78	24	4.40
Matriculates/ Higher Secondary or Intermediate Certificate Holders	88	18.45	90	19.11	87	17.76	101	22.10	82	15.95	132	24.91	118	22.35	112	21.01	94	19.67	44	8.73	94	18.18	89	16.82	48	9.01	69	12.80	77	14.13
Under Graduates	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	57	11.31	8	1.55	18	3.40	42	7.88	12	2.23	17	3.12
Graduates (including those with equivalent technical qualifications)	177	37.11	160	33.97	157	32.04	172	37.64	178	34.63	205	38.68	213	40.34	238	44.65	233	48.74	220	43.65	222	42.94	237	44.80	256	48.03	272	50.46	265	48.62
Post-Graduates (including technical qualifications)	85	17.82	92	19.53	98	20.00	113	24.73	127	24.71	132	24.91	136	25.76	131	24.58	124	25.94	145	28.77	149	28.82	149	28.17	145	27.20	153	28.39	134	24.59
Doctoral Degree or other high academic qualifications	15	3.14	9	1.91	7	1.43	17	3.72	8	1.56	9	1.70	8	1.52	10	1.88	17	3.56	20	3.97	29	5.61	24	4.54	27	5.07	18	3.34	28	5.14
Total number of members who supplied information	477		471		490		457		514		530		528		533		478		504		517		529		533		539		545^	
Total number of seats including nominated members	499		500		503		523		521		544		544		545		545		545		545		545		545		545		545	

Percentage is based on the total number of members who supplied information.

^As on the date of constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 18.5.2009, including two nominated members and Shri Raj Babbar who was elected in a bye-election held on 7.11.2009.

STATEMENT 16

Occupational Background of Members (First to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Prior Occupation	1st LS		2nd LS		3rd LS		4th LS		5th LS		6th LS		7th LS		8th LS		9th LS		10th LS		11th LS		12th LS		13th LS		14th LS		15th LS	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Agriculturists/ Horticulturists	97	22.45	141	29.01	129	27.45	154	30.62	168	33.20	189	36.00	206	39.39	203	38.30	230	44.15	163	32.09	207	38.69	261	49.06	230	42.67	222	41.89	193	35.54
Artists	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.20	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	5	0.94	4	0.77	5	0.98	7	1.31	6	1.13	8	1.48	7	1.32	10	1.84
Businessmen	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	23	4.53	31	5.79	8	1.5	22	4.08	30	5.66	48	8.84
Chartered Accts.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	2	0.37	1	0.19	1	0.18
Civil, Police & Military Service	16	3.70	19	3.91	4	0.85	16	3.18	17	3.36	9	1.71	5	0.96	16	3.02	6	1.15	16	3.15	13	2.43	10	1.88	8	1.48	3	0.57	6	1.10
Cooperative Leaders	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4	0.75	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Diplomats	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	0.58	4	0.79	4	0.75	2	0.38	–	–	–	–	1	0.18
Economists	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	–	–	1	0.19	1	0.19	–	–	–	–	–	–
Engineers & Technologists	–	–	–	–	4	0.85	7	1.39	6	1.19	5	0.95	6	1.15	4	0.75	11	2.11	7	1.38	9	1.68	5	0.94	8	1.48	6	1.13	8	1.47
Former Rulers	5	1.16	7	1.44	10	2.13	7	1.39	2	0.40	3	0.57	1	0.19	3	0.57	2	0.38	3	0.59	–	–	2	0.38	1	0.19	1	0.19	–	–
Judges	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	1	0.19	1	0.19	–	–
Industrial Workers/ Trade Unionists	–	–	–	–	1	0.21	1	0.20	–	–	9	1.71	4	0.76	7	1.32	2	0.38	4	0.79	4	0.75	11	2.07	9	1.67	3	0.57	2	0.37
Journalists/ Writers	45	10.42	50	10.29	27	5.74	24	4.77	32	6.32	11	2.10	15	2.87	7	1.32	14	2.69	11	2.17	8	1.50	7	1.32	9	1.67	14	2.64	6	1.10
Lawyers	153	35.42	147	30.25	115	24.47	88	17.50	103	20.36	123	23.43	116	22.18	101	19.06	80	15.36	83	16.34	65	12.15	54	10.15	66	12.24	65	12.26	55	10.13
Management Consultants	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	0.37	2	0.38	2	0.37	4	0.75	4	0.74
Medical Practitioners	21	4.86	17	3.50	14	2.98	14	2.78	9	1.78	10	1.90	10	1.91	21	3.96	18	3.45	25	4.92	16	2.99	17	3.20	17	3.15	14	2.64	20	3.68
Pilots	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	1	0.20	2	0.37	–	–	1	0.19	–	–	–	–
Political & Social Workers	–	–	–	–	88	18.72	115	22.86	96	18.97	105	20.00	90	17.21	85	16.04	89	17.08	92	18.11	104	19.44	96	18.05	108	20.04	126	23.77	147	27.07
Religious Missionaries	–	–	–	–	1	0.21	4	0.8	2	0.40	–	–	1	0.19	1	0.19	–	–	3	0.59	1	0.19	4	0.75	2	0.37	1	0.19	1	0.18
Scientists	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.20	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	1	0.19	–	–
Sportspersons	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	0.39	–	–	3	0.56	2	0.37	1	0.19	2	0.37
Teachers & Educationists	43	9.95	55	11.32	27	5.74	33	6.56	36	7.11	44	8.38	35	6.69	41	7.74	41	7.87	49	9.65	43	8.04	28	5.26	33	6.12	22	4.15	25	4.60
Traders & Industrialists	52	12.04	50	10.29	50	10.64	39	7.76	35	6.92	17	3.24	33	6.31	36	6.79	19	3.65	16	3.15	14	2.62	12	2.26	9	1.67	–	–	14	2.58
Veterinarians	–	--	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	0.19	–	–	8	1.51	–	–
Total number of members who supplied information	432		486		470		503		506		525		523		530		521		508		535		532		539		530		543^	
Total number of seats including nominated members	499		500		503		523		521		544		544		545		545		545		545		545		545		545		545	

Percentage is based on the total number of members who supplied information.

^As on the date of constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 18.5.2009, including two nominated members and Shri Raj Babbar who was elected in a bye-election held on 7.11.2009.

STATEMENT 17

Representation of Women from the First to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha and Prior Legislative Experience of Women Members from the Seventh to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Lok Sabha	Total No. of Seats	No. of Women Members	Percentage to the Total	Prior Legislative Experience of Women Members in Number of Terms in previous Lok Sabha						
				New Member	One Lok Sabha	Two Lok Sabha	Three Lok Sabha	Four Lok Sabha	Five Lok Sabha	Six Lok Sabha
First	499	22	4.41	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Second	500	27	5.40	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Third	503	34	6.76	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Fourth	523	31	5.93	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Fifth	521	22	4.22	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sixth	544	19	3.49	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Seventh	544	28	5.15	19	4	2	3	–	–	–
Eighth	544	44	8.09	23	13	6	2	–	–	–
Ninth	529	28	5.29	15	4	5	4	–	–	–
Tenth	509	36	7.07	18	9	5	1	2	1	–
Eleventh	543	40	7.37	23	11	4	–	1	1	–
Twelfth	545	44	8.07	23	10	5	4	–	1	1
Thirteenth	543	49	9.02	19	17	5	4	4	–	–
Fourteenth	545	45*	8.26	27	6	7	2	1	2	–
Fifteenth	545	60^	11.01	31	14	8	3	1	1	2

*As on the date of constitution of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha on 17.5.2004, and excludes the six women members who were subsequently elected in bye-elections and one women member nominated to the Fourteenth Lok Sabha.

^As on the date of constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 18.5.2009, including one nominated member and Smt. Putul Kumari who was elected in a bye-election in November 2010.

STATEMENT 18

Distribution of Women Members by Age Groups (Seventh to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Age Group	7th LS		8th LS		9th LS		10th LS		11th LS		12th LS		13th LS		14th LS		15th LS	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
25-30 Years	–		1	2.27	1	3.70	4	11.11	–	–	2	4.55	1	2.08	4	8.89	4	6.78
31-35 Years	1	3.57	2	4.55	2	7.41	3	8.33	3	8.11	4	9.09	4	8.33	3	6.67	5	8.47
36-40 Years	3	10.71	3	6.82	2	7.41	4	11.11	8	21.62	4	9.09	7	14.58	3	6.67	7	11.86
41-45 Years	4	14.29	5	11.36	5	18.52	8	22.22	8	21.62	12	27.27	8	16.67	11	24.44	11	18.64
46-50 Years	6	21.43	7	15.91	5	18.52	4	11.11	5	13.51	8	18.18	7	14.58	11	24.44	11	18.64
51-55 Years	4	14.29	9	20.45	4	14.81	2	5.56	4	10.81	3	6.82	7	14.58	5	11.11	8	13.56
56-60 Years	6	21.43	5	11.36	2	7.41	5	13.89	4	10.81	4	9.09	6	12.50	6	13.33	5	8.47
61-65 Years	3	10.71	6	13.64	2	7.41	3	8.33	–	–	2	4.55	5	10.42	2	4.44	6	10.17
66-70 Years	–		5	11.36	1	3.70	1	2.78	2	5.41	3	6.82	3	6.25	–	–	2	3.39
71-75 Years	1	3.57	1	2.27	3	11.11	2	5.56	2	5.41	1	2.27	–	–	–	–	–	–
76-80 Years	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	2.70	1	2.27	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total number of members who supplied information	28		44		27		36		37		44		48		45		59	
Total number of women members	28		44		28		36		40		44		49		45*		60^	
Total number of seats including nominated members	544		545		545		545		545		545		545		545		545	

Percentage is based on the total number of members who supplied information.

*As on the date of the constitution of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha on 17.5.2004, and excludes the six women members who were subsequently elected in bye-elections and one women member nominated to the Fourteenth Lok Sabha.

^As on the date of constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha on 18.5.2009, including one nominated member and Smt. Putul Kumari who was elected in a bye-election in November 2010.

STATEMENT 19

Educational Background of Women Members (Seventh to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Educational Qualification	7th LS		8th LS		9th LS		10th LS		11th LS		12th LS		13th LS		14th LS		15th LS	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Under-Matriculates	7	25.00	3	6.82	1	3.70	2	5.56	3	8.33	3	6.98	1	2.08	1	2.22	3	5.00
Matriculates/Higher Secondary or Intermediate Certificate Holders	4	14.29	14	31.82	7	25.93	1	2.78	8	22.22	3	6.98	5	10.42	6	13.33	6	10.00
Under Graduates	–	–	–	–	–	–	3	8.33	–	–	1	2.33	1	2.08	2	4.44	4	6.67
Graduates (including those with equivalent technical qualifications)	9	32.14	14	31.82	10	37.04	17	47.22	14	38.89	16	37.21	14	29.17	17	37.78	25	41.67
Post-Graduates (including technical qualifications)	7	25.00	10	22.73	6	22.22	8	22.22	7	19.44	17	39.53	22	45.83	17	37.78	20	33.33
Doctoral Degree or other high academic qualifications	1	3.57	3	6.82	3	11.11	5	13.89	4	11.11	3	6.98	5	10.42	2	4.44	2	3.33
Total number of members who supplied information	28		44		27		36		36		43		48		45		60	
Total number of women members	28		44		28		36		40		44		49		45*		60^	
Total number of seats including nominated members	544		545		545		545		545		545		545		545		545	

Percentage is based on the total number of members who supplied information.

*As on the date of the constitution of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha on 17.5.2004, and excludes the six women members who were subsequently elected in bye-elections and one women member nominated to the Fourteenth Lok Sabha.

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STATEMENT 20

Occupational Background of Women Members (Seventh to the Fifteenth Lok Sabha)

Age Group	7th LS		8th LS		9th LS		10th LS		11th LS		12th LS		13th LS		14th LS		15th LS	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Agriculturists/ Horticulturists	11	39.29	14	32.56	3	12.00	5	13.89	8	21.62	11	25.00	8	16.33	7	16.67	11	18.33
Artists	–	–	1	2.33	2	8.00	1	2.78	2	5.41	1	2.27	1	2.04	1	2.38	4	6.67
Business Persons	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	2.78	–	–	1	2.27	1	2.04	2	4.76	5	8.33
Civil, Police & Military Service	1	3.57	1	2.33	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Diplomats	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	2.70	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Former Rulers			1	2.33	–	–	1	2.78	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Industrial Workers/ Trade Unionists	–	–	–	–	1	4.00	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Journalists/ Writers	–	–	–	–	1	4.00	–	–	–	–	4	9.09	1	2.04	2	4.76	1	1.67
Lawyers	–	–	–	–	1	4.00	2	5.56	2	5.41	2	4.55	4	8.16	6	14.29	6	10.0
Medical Practitioners			1	2.33	–	–	1	2.78	–	––	2	4.55	3	6.12	–	–	5	8.33
Political & Social Workers	13	46.43	15	34.88	11	44.00	14	38.89	18	48.65	18	40.91	21	42.86	20	47.62	24	40.00
Religious Missionaries	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	2.27	1	2.04	–	–	–	–
Teachers & Educationists	3	10.71	8	18.60	5	20.00	10	27.78	5	13.51	4	9.09	9	18.37	4	9.52	4	6.67
Traders & Industrialists	–	–	2	4.65	1	4.00	1	2.78	1	2.70	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total number of members who supplied information	28		43		25		36		37		44		49		42		60	
Total number of women members	28		44		28		36		40		44		49		45*		60^	
Total number of seats including nominated members	544		545		545		545		545		545		545		545		545	

Percentage is based on the total number of members who supplied information.

*As on the date of the constitution of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha on 17.5.2004, and excludes the six women members who were subsequently elected in bye-elections and one women member nominated to the Fourteenth Lok Sabha.

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STATEMENT 21

Expenditure on Members

	Year	Expenditure incurred (in Rupees)
	1	2
First Lok Sabha	1952-53	37,96,818
	1953-54	38,89,783
	1954-55	46,00,620
	1955-56	52,03,214
	1956-57	43,89,087
	Total	2,18,79,522
Second Lok Sabha	1957-58	48,61,383
	1958-59	45,80,692
	1959-60	47,40,870
	1960-61	44,79,964
	1961-62	32,76,756
	(Upto December, 1961)	
	Total	2,19,39,665
Third Lok Sabha	1962-63	50,02,715
	1963-64	48,29,589
	1964-65	68,23,153
	1965-66	47,45,730
	(Upto November, 1966)	
	Total	2,14,01,187
Fourth Lok Sabha	1967-68	76,81,929
	1968-69	81,81,379
	1969-70	1,11,52,543
	1970-71	88,22,725
	(Upto December, 1970)	
	Total	3,58,38,576
Fifth Lok Sabha	1971-72	1,11,94,646
	1972-73	1,43,64,276
	1973-74	1,36,97,156
	1974-75	1,61,38,257
	1975-76	1,67,63,224
	1976-77	1,38,24,598
	(Upto December, 1976)	
	Total	8,59,82,157

1		2
Sixth Lok Sabha	1977-78	1,88,30,567
	1978-79	3,12,65,993
	1979-80	84,50,374
	(Upto 22 August, 1979)	
	Total	5,85,46,934
Seventh Lok Sabha	1980-81	2,98,46,458
	1981-82	3,76,24,227
	1982-83	3,92,66,880
	1983-84	4,29,55,090
	1984-85	1,63,73,034
	(Upto 30 September, 1984)	
	Total	16,60,65,690
Eighth Lok Sabha	1985-86	2,13,89,199
	1986-87	3,74,68,338
	1987-88	4,79,64,617
	1988-89	5,17,33,529
	1989-90	2,43,33,197
	(Upto 30 September, 1989)	
	Total	18,28,88,880
Ninth Lok Sabha	1989-90	7,78,08,044
	1990-91	9,95,31,936
	(Upto 13 March, 1991)	
	Total	17,73,39,980
Tenth Lok Sabha	1991-92	10,22,10,512
	1992-93	13,54,71,709
	1993-94	22,61,31,333
	1994-95	22,28,54,276
	1995-96	30,77,30,769
	Total	99,43,98,599
Eleventh Lok Sabha	1996-97	13,11,25,147
	1997-98	16,28,95,967
	(Upto 4 December, 1997)	
	Total	29,40,21,114

	1	2
Twelfth Lok Sabha	1998-99	40,60,75,463
	1999-2000 (Upto 30 April, 1999)	2,85,63,267
	Total	43,46,38,730
Thirteenth Lok Sabha	1999-2000	32,09,75,000
	2000-2001	63,70,22,000
	2001-2002	95,82,06,000
	2002-2003	98,60,81,000
	2003-2004 (Upto 31 Jan. 2004)	91,13,25,000
	Total	3,81,36,09,000
Fourteenth Lok Sabha	2004-2005	80,84,64,000
	2005-2006	1,04,98,13,000
	2006-2007	1,00,82,38,000
	2007-2008	1,14,25,39,700
	2008-2009 (Upto 31 March 2009)	1,30,37,52,400
	Total	5,31,28,07,100
Fifteenth Lok Sabha	2009-2010	1,07,03,02,943
	2010-2011	1,81,37,76,425
	2011-2012	1,86,71,93,060
	2012-2013	2,20,79,27,655
	2013-2014	2,40,79,43,805
	Total	9,36,71,43,888

STATEMENT 22

Name and portfolios of Members of Union Council of Ministers during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Name	Portfolios alongwith the period thereof
1	2	3
		PART-I
		PRIME MINISTER
1.	Manmohan Singh, Dr.	Prime Minister and also in-charge of the Ministries/Departments not specifically allocated to the charge of any Minister (From 22.5.2009 to 23.5.2009) (i) Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions; (ii) Ministry of Planning; (iii) Department of Atomic Energy; and (iv) Department of Space. (from 23.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*) Held charge of the Ministry of Water Resources (from 31.5.2009 to 14.6.2009) Held charge of the Ministry of Culture (from 23.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Held charge of the Ministry of Railways (from 19.5.2011 to 12.7.2011) (again from 15.6.2013 to 17.6.2013) Held charge of the Ministry of Finance (from 26.6.2012 to 31.7.2012) Held charge of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (from 15.6.2013 to 17.6.2013) Held charge of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (from 15.6.2013 to 17.6.2013)
		PART-II
		CABINET MINISTERS
1.	Abdullah, Dr. Farooq	Minister of New and Renewable Energy (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)
2.	Alagiri, Shri M.K.	Minister of Chemical and Fertilizers (from 28.5.2009 to 20.3.2013)
3.	Antony, Shri A.K.	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 23.5.2009) Minister of Defence (from 23.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)
4.	Azad, Shri Ghulam Nabi	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Health and Family Welfare (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Water Resources (from 1.2.2014 to 26.05.2014*)

*The date of dissolution of the Council of Ministers.

1	2	3
5.	Banerjee, Km. Mamata	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 23.5.2009) Minister of Railways (from 23.5.2009 to 19.5.2011)
6.	Bansal, Shri Pawan Kumar	Minister of Parliamentary Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 14.6.2009) (Again from 14.6.2009 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Water Resources (from 14.6.2009 to 19.1.2011) (Again from 12.7.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Science and Technology and Minister of Earth Sciences (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Railways (from 28.10.2012 to 11.5.2013)
7.	Bhuria, Shri Kantilal	Minister of Tribal Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 12.7.2011)
8.	Chidambaram, Shri P.	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 23.5.2009) Minister of Home Affairs (from 23.5.2009 to 31.7.2012) Minister of Finance (from 31.7.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
9.	Deo, Shri V. Kishore Chandra	Minister of Tribal Affairs and Minister of Panchayati Raj (from 12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
10.	Deora, Shri Murli	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Corporate Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011)
11.	Deshmukh, Shri Vilasrao	Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Rural Development and Minister of Panchayati Raj (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Science and Technology and Minister of Earth Sciences (from 12.7.2011 to 10.8.2012) Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (from 26.6.2012 to 10.8.2012) Minister without portfolio (from 10.8.2012 to 14.8.2012**)
12.	Fernandes, Shri Oscar	Minister of Road Transport and Highways (from 17.6.2013 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Labour and Employment. (from 15.12.2013 to 26.05.2014*)

*The date of dissolution of the Council of Ministers.

**Date of his death.

1	2	3
13.	Gill, Dr. M.S.	Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Statistics and Programme Implementation (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011)
14.	Handique, Shri B.K.	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Mines (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Development of North-Eastern Region (from 28.5.2009 to 12.7.2011)
15.	Jaiswal, Shri Shriprakash	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Coal and Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Coal (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
16.	Joshi, Shri C.P.	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Rural Development and Minister of Panchayati Raj (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Road Transport and Highways (from 19.1.2011 to 15.6.2013) Minister of Railways (from 22.9.2012 to 28.10.2012) (Again from 11.5.2013 to 15.6.2013)
17.	Katoch, Smt. Chandresh Kumari	Minister of Culture (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
18.	Khan, Shri K. Rahman	Minister of Minority Affairs (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
19.	Kharge, Shri Mallikarjun	Minister of Labour and Employment (from 28.5.2009 to 17.6.2013) Minister of Railways (from 17.6.2013 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment (from 28.1.2014 to 26.05.2014*)
20.	Khursheed, Shri Salman	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Minority Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Water Resources (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Minority Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Law and Justice (from 12.7.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of External Affairs (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)

*The date of dissolution of the Council of Ministers.

1	2	3
21.	Krishna, Shri S.M.	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 23.5.2009) Minister of External Affairs (from 23.5.2009 to 27.10.2012)
22.	Kumar, Shri Ashwani	Minister of State in the Ministry of Planning (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Science and Technology (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Earth Sciences (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Law and Justice (from 28.10.2012 to 11.5.2013)
23.	Kumari, Selja	Minister of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Tourism (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Culture (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment (from 28.10.2012 to 28.1.2014)
24.	Maken, Shri Ajay	Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Human Resource Development (from 28.10.2012 to 15.6.2013)
25.	Maran, Shri Dayanidhi	Minister of Textiles (from 28.5.2009 to 12.7.2011)
26.	Meira Kumar, Smt.	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Water Resources (from 28.5.2009 to 31.5.2009, the date of her resignation)
27.	Moily, Shri M. Veerappa	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Law and Justice (from 28.5.2009 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Corporate Affairs (from 12.7.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Power (from 31.7.2012 to 28.10.2012)

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		Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
		Minister of Environment and Forests (from 21.12.2013 to 26.05.2014*)
28.	Mukherjee, Shri Pranab	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 23.5.2009)
		Minister of Finance (from 23.5.2009 to 26.6.2012)
29.	Nath, Shri Kamal	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009)
		Minister of Road Transport and Highways (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011)
		Minister of Urban Development (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
		Minister of Parliamentary Affairs (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
30.	Ola, Shri Sis Ram	Minister of Labour and Employment (from 17.6.2013 to 15.12.2013**)
31.	Pallam Raju, Shri M.M.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012)
		Minister of Human Resource Development (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
32.	Patel, Shri Dinsha J.	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011)
		Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Mines (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012)
		Minister of Mines (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
33.	Patel, Shri Praful	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Civil Aviation (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011)
		Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
34.	Pawar, Shri Sharad	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 23.5.2009)
		Minister of Agriculture (from 23.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)
		Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (from 23.5.2009 to 19.1.2011)
		Minister of Food Processing Industries (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)

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1	2	3
35.	Raja, Shri A.	Minister of Communications and Information Technology (from 28.5.2009 to 15.11.2010)
36.	Ramesh, Shri Jairam	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (from 28.5.2009 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Rural Development (from 12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Drinking Water and Sanitation (from 13.7.2011 to 28.10.2012)
37.	Rao, Dr. Kavuru Samba Siva	Minister of Textiles (from 17.6.2013 to 3.4.2014)
38.	Ravi, Shri Vayalar	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Civil Aviation (from 19.1.2011 to 18.12.2011) Minister of Science and Technology, Minister of Earth Sciences, Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (from 10.8.2012 to 28.10.2012)
39.	Rawat, Shri Harish	Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour and Employment (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture, Minister of State in the Ministry of Food Processing Industry (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (from 12.7.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Water Resources (from 28.10.2012 to 1.2.2014)
40.	Reddy, Shri S. Jaipal	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Urban Development (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Science and Technology (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Earth Sciences (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
41.	Roy, Shri Mukul	Minister of State in the Ministry of Shipping (from 28.5.2009 to 20.3.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (from 19.5.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Railways (from 20.3.2012 to 22.9.2012)

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42.	Sahay, Shri Subodh Kant	Minister of Food Processing Industries (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Tourism (from 19.1.2011 to 27.10.2012)
43.	Sharma, Shri Anand	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Commerce and Industry (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Textiles (from 12.7.2011 to 17.6.2013) (again from 3.4.2014 to 26.05.2014*)
44.	Shinde, Shri Sushilkumar	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Power (from 28.5.2009 to 31.7.2012) Minister of Home Affairs (from 31.7.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
45.	Sibal, Shri Kapil	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Human Resource Development (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012) Minister of Science and Technology, Minister of Earth Sciences (from 10.11.2010 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Communications and Information Technology (from 15.11.2010 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of Law and Justice (from 11.5.2013 to 26.05.2014*)
46.	Singh, Shri Ajit	Minister of Civil Aviation (from 18.12.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
47.	Singh, Shri Virbhadra	Minister of Steel (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (from 19.1.2011 to 26.6.2012)
48.	Soni, Smt. Ambika	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of Information and Broadcasting (from 28.5.2009 to 27.10.2012)
49.	Trivedi, Shri Dinesh	Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (from 28.5.2009 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Railways (from 12.7.2011 to 19.3.2012)
50.	Vasan, Shri G.K.	Minister of Shipping (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)

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1	2	3
51.	Verma, Shri Beni Prasad	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Steel (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of Steel (12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
52.	Vyas, Dr. Girija	Minister of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (from 17.6.2013 to 26.05.2014*)
53.	Wasnik, Shri Mukul	Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment (from 28.5.2009 to 27.10.2012)
	PART III	
	MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)	
1.	Chavan, Shri Prithviraj	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology, Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 10.11.2010)
2.	Chiranjeevi, Dr. K.	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Tourism (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
3.	Ghatowar, Shri Paban Singh	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region (from 12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (from 20.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
4.	Jena, Shri Srikant	Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (from 28.5.2009 to 20.3.2013) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (from 20.3.2013 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (from 12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
5.	Kamat, Shri Gurudas	Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) (again from 21.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation (from 12.7.2011 to 13.7.2011)
6.	Muniyappa, Shri K.H.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012)

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		Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
7.	Natarajan, Smt. Jayanthi	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (from 12.7.2011 to 21.12.2013)
8.	Pilot, Shri Sachin	Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
9.	Scindia, Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao	Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Power (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
10.	Solanki, Shri Bharatsinh	Minister of State in the Ministry of Power (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
11.	Tewari, Shri Manish	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
12.	Thomas, Prof. K.V.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
13.	Tirath, Smt. Krishna	Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Women and Child Development (28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)
		PART IV **MINISTER OF STATE**
1.	Adhikari, Shri Sisir	Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development (from 28.5.2009 to 22.9.2012)
2.	Ahamed, Shri E.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011)

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		Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
		Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development (from 12.7.2011 to 28.10.2012)
3.	Ahmed, Shri Sultan	Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism (from 28.5.2009 to 22.9.2012)
4.	Bandyopadhayay, Shri Sudip	Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (from 12.7.2011 to 22.9.2012)
5.	Chaudhary, Shri Tusharbhai	Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011)
		Minister of State in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
6.	Chowdhury, Shri Adhir Ranjan	Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
7.	Choudhury, Shri A.H. Khan	Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
8.	Chowdhary, Smt. Santosh	Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (from 17.6.2013 to 26.05.2014*)
9.	Dasmunsi, Smt. Deepa	Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban Development (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
10.	Deora, Shri Milind	Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (from 12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
		Minister of State in the Ministry of Shipping (from 30.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
11.	Ering, Shri Ninong	Minister of State in the Ministry of Minority Affairs (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
12.	Gandhiselvan, Shri S.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (from 28.5.2009 to 20.3.2013)
13.	Gavit, Shri Manikrao Hodlya	Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (from 17.6.2013 to 26.05.2014*)
14.	Jagathrakshakan, Shri S.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012)
		Minister of State in the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (from 28.10.2012 to 2.11.2012)
		Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (from 2.11.2012 to 20.3.2013)
15.	Jain, Shri Pradeep	Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014)
16.	Jatua, Shri Choudhury Mohan	Minister of State in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (from 28.5.2009 to 22.9.2012)

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17.	Kataria, Shri Lalchand	Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence (from 28.10.2012 to 30.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development (from 30.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
18.	Kaur, Smt. Preneet	Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)
19.	Khandela, Shri Mahadev S.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 27.10.2012)
20.	Killi, Dr. (Smt.) Kruparani	Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
21.	Lakshmi, Smt. Panabaka	Minister of State in the Ministry of Textiles (from 28.5.2009 to 30.10.2012) (Again from 5.3.2013 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (from 30.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
22.	Mahant, Shri Charan Das	Minister of State in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (from 12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture (from 12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
23.	Meena, Shri Namo Narain	Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)
24.	Mullappally Ramachandran, Shri	Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 26.05.2014*)
25.	Naik, Shri Porika Balram	Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
26.	Napoleon, Shri D.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (from 28.5.2009 to 20.3.2013)
27.	Narah, Smt. Ranee	Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
28.	Narayanasamy, Shri V.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Planning (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 12.7.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (from 15.11.2010 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)

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29.	Natchiappan, Dr. E. M. Sudarsana	Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (from 17.6.2013 to 26.05.2014*)
30.	Pala, Shri Vincent	Minister of State in the Ministry of Water Resources (from 28.5.2009 to 27.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Minority Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 27.10.2012)
31.	Palanimanickam, Shri S.S.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (from 28.5.2009 to 20.3.2013)
32.	Patil, Shri Prateek Prakashbapu	Minister of State in the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises (from 28.5.2009 to 14.6.2009) Minister of State in the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (from 14.6.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Coal (from 19.1.2011 to 26.05.2014*)
33.	Jitinprasada, Shri	Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
34.	Prathap, Shri A. Sai	Minister of State in the Ministry of Steel (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011)
35.	Purandeswari, Smt. D.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development (from 28.5.2009 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (from 28.10.2012 to 11.3.2014)
36.	Ray, Shri Saugata	Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban Development (from 28.5.2009 to 22.09.2012)
37.	Reddy, Shri K.J. Surya Prakash	Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
38.	Sangma, Ms. Agatha	Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development (from 28.5.2009 to 27.10.2012)
39.	Sathyanarayana, Shri Sarvey	Minister of State in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
40.	Seelam, Shri Jesudasu	Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (from 17.6.2013 to 26.05.2014*)

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41.	Shri Tariq Anwar	Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
42.	Shukla, Shri Rajeev	Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (12.7.2011 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State in the Ministry of Planning (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
43.	Singh, Shri Jitendra	Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (from 12.7.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*) Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
44.	Singh, Shri R.P.N.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (from 28.5.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
45.	Suresh, Shri Kodikunnil	Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour and Employment (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
46.	Tharoor, Dr. Shashi	Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (from 28.5.2009 to 18.4.2010, the date of his resignation) Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
47.	Venugopal, Shri K.C.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Power (from 19.1.2011 to 28.10.2012) Minister of State in the Ministry of Civil Aviation (from 28.10.2012 to 26.05.2014*)
48.	Yadav, Shri Arun	Minister without portfolio (from 22.5.2009 to 28.5.2009) Minister of State in the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (from 28.5.2009 to 14.6.2009) Minister of State in the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises (from 14.6.2009 to 19.1.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011) Minister of State in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (from 19.1.2011 to 12.7.2011)

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STATEMENT 23

Leave of Absence of Members

Sl.No.	Name of the Member	Period for which leave granted	Date when leave granted
1	2	3	4
1.	Shri Kameshwar Baitha	19.11.2009 to 21.12.2009	3.5.2010
2.	Shri Gajanan Babar	30.11.2009 to 14.12.2009	
3.	Shri Yashwant Sinha	19.11.2009 to 08.12.2009	
4.	Shri Shivaji Adhalrao Patil	05.12.2009 to 21.12.2009	
5.	Shri Kabir Suman	26.02.2010 to 16.03.2010	
6.	Shri Baliram Kashyap	22.02.2010 to 07.05.2010	
7.	Shri Shibu Soren	19.11.2009 to 21.12.2009 and 22.02.2010 to 16.03.2010	
8.	Shri Ramakant Yadav	19.11.2009 to 21.12.2009 and 22.02.2010 to 16.03.2010 and 15.04.2010 to 07.05.2010[$]	
9.	Shri K. Chandrasekhar Rao	19.11.2009 to 21.12.2009 and 22.02.2010 to 16.03.2010	
10.	Shri S.K. Bwiswmuthiary	10.03.2010 to 16.03.2010 and 12.04.2010 to 26.04.2010	
11.	Shri Madhu Kora	19.11.2009 to 21.12.2009 and 22.02.2010 to 16.03.2010 and 15.04.2010 to 07.05.2010[%]	19.08.2010
12.	Shri Ijyaraj Singh	26.07.2010 to 21.08.2010	
13.	Shri Baliram Kashyap	26.07.2010 to 31.08.2010 and 9.11.2010 to 13.12.2010[#]	08.12.2010
14.	Shri Kameshwar Baitha	25.02.2010 to 16.03.2010 and 15.04.2010 to 07.05.2010 and 26.07.2010 to 31.08.2010 and 09.11.2010 to 26.11.2010[$$]	
15.	Smt. Kaiser Jahan	09.11.2010 to 24.11.2010	

[$] As the member had completed 60 days of absence on 18 April, 2010 and the application for leave of absence was received after that date, the Committee recommend that the period of his absence till the date of application (*i.e.*, 21 April, 2010) may be condoned and leave of absence from 22 April, 2010 to 7 May, 2010 (16 days) may be granted to him.

[%] As the member had completed 60 days of absence on 18 April, 2010 and the application for leave of absence was received on 13 July, 2010, the Committee recommended that the entire period of his absence till 7 May, 2010 may be condoned.

[#] The Committee do not recommend leave for more than 59 days. Hence the member has been granted leave for 59 days in the first instance. He may be requested to apply afresh for the remaining period of 13 days.

[$$] Since the member has applied for leave on 1.11.2010 (*i.e.*, after expiry of 60 days of continuous leave), the period of his absence from 25.2.2010 to 31.8.2010 which totals to 80 days has been recommended for condonation and the remaining 18 days leave for his absence from 9.11.2010 to 26.11.2010 is recommended by the Committee.

1	2	3	4
16.	Shri A. Raja	2.12.2010 to 13.12.2010 and 21.2.2011 to 25.03.2011 and 1.8.2011 to 8.9.2011^	05.09.2011
17.	Smt. Sonia Gandhi	01.08.2011 to 31.08.2011*	
18.	Shri Gobind Chandra Naskar	01.8.2011 to 08.09.2011	
19.	Shri Suresh Kalmadi	01.8.2011 to 08.09.2011	
20.	Shri A. Raja	15.08.2011 to 08.09.2011 and 22.11.2011 to 22.12.2011^^	14.12.2011
21.	Shri Madhu Koda	22.11.2011 to 22.12.2011	
22.	Shri Suresh Kalmadi	22.11.2011 to 22.12.2011	
23.	Smt. Shruti Choudhry	22.11.2011 to 22.12.2011	
24.	Shri A. Raja	23.12.2011 to 29.12.2011 and 12.03.2012 to 30.03.2012 and 24.04.2012 to 22.05.2012@	10.05.2012
25.	Shri Madhu Koda	12.03.2012 to 30.03.2012 and 24.04.2012 to 22.05.2012	
26.	Shri Dilip Singh Judev	12.03.2012 to 30.03.2012 and 24.04.2012 to 30.04.2012	
27.	Shri Pratap Narayanrao Sonawane	12.03.2012 to 30.03.2012	
28.	Shri Dinesh Trivedi	08.05.2012 to 22.05.2012	
29.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy	22.12.2011 to 29.12.2011 and 12.03.2012 to 30.03.2012 and 24.04.2012 to 09.05.2012 and	
30.	Shri Shibu Soren	22.12.2011 to 29.12.2011 and 12.03.2012 to 30.03.2012 and 24.04.2012 to 08.05.2012	

^ The Committee do not recommend leave for more than 59 days. Hence, the member may be granted leave for 59 days in the first instance. He may be requested to apply afresh for the remaining period of 25 days

* Period for which leave of absence has been applied for is not specified. It has been ascertained from the Attendance Register that the member has not attended the House from 1st to 31st August, 2011.

^^ The member was requested to apply afresh for leave of 25 days pertaining to the previous session *i.e.*, 8th session of 15th Lok Sabha. This position was reflected in the last report of the Committee *i.e.*, its 4th Report.

@ The member was requested to apply afresh for leave of 7 days pertaining to the previous session *i.e.* 9th Session of 15th Lok Sabha. This position was reflected in the last report of the Committee *i.e.* its 5th Report.

1	2	3	4
31.	Shri Shatrughan Sinha	08.08.2012 to 25.08.2012	04.09.2012
32.	Shri D. Venugopal	09.08.2012 to 07.09.2012	
33.	Shri Madhu Koda	08.08.2012 to 07.09.2012	
34.	Shri Dilip Singh Judev	08.08.2012 to 29.08.2012	
35.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy	10.05.2012 to 22.05.2012 and 08.08.2012 to 07.09.2012	
36.	Shri Subrata Bakshi	08.08.2012 to 02.09.2012	
37.	Shri Dilip Singh Judev	22.11.2012 to 20.12.2012	13.12.2012
38.	Shri Madhu Koda	22.11.2012 to 20.12.2012	
39.	Shri Kunwarjibhai M. Bavalia	22.11.2012 to 20.12.2012	
40.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy	22.11.2012 to 20.12.2012 and 21.02.2013 to 22.03.2013	02.05.2013
41.	Shri Madhu Koda	21.02.2013 to 22.03.2013 and 22.04.2013 to 28.04.2013	
42.	Shri Dilip Singh Judev	21.02.2013 to 22.03.2013 and 22.04.2013 to 10.05.2013	
43.	Smt. Mausam Noor	21.02.2013 to 22.03.2013	
44.	Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai Maadam	06.12.2012 to 20.12.2012 and 21.02.2013 to 22.03.2013	
45.	Shri C.M. Chang	22.02.2013 to 21.03.2013	
46.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy	22.04.2013 to 08.05.2013	23.08.2013
47.	Shri Sadashivrao D. Mandlik	05.08.2013 to 30.08.2013	
48.	Shri K.J.K. Ritheesh Sivakumar	09.08.2013 to 06.09.2013 and 05.12.2013 to 15.12.2013	18.02.2014
49.	Shri M.K. Alagiri	09.08.2013 to 06.09.2013 and 05.12.2013 to 18.12.2013 and 05.02.2014 to 20.02.2014[&]	
50.	Shri D. Napolean	24.08.2013 to 06.09.2013 and 05.12.2013 to 18.12.2013 and 05.02.2014 to 21.02.2014	

[&] Since the Committee does not recommend leave for more than 59 days, the member may be granted leave in the first instance for 59 days.

STATEMENT 24

List of Members whose Resignations Accepted during 15th Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Name of Member	State	Constituency	Date on which accepted by Speaker	Reasons
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Shri Akhilesh Yadav	Uttar Pradesh	Firozabad	26.05.2009	Elected from more than one Parliamentary constituency
2.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy	Andhra Pradesh	Kadapa	29.11.2010	
3.	Shri Arjun Munda	Jharkhand	Jamshedpur	26.02.2011	Elected to Jharkhand Legislative Assembly
4.	Km. Mamata Banerjee	West Bengal	Kolkata Dakshin	09.10.2011	Elected to West Bengal Legislative Assembly
5.	Shri D.V. Sadananda Gowda	Karnataka	Udupi Chikmagalur	29.12.2011	Elected to Karnataka Legislative Council
6.	Shri M. Rajmohan Reddy	Andhra Pradesh	Nellore	28.02.2012	
7.	Shri Akhilesh Yadav	Uttar Pradesh	Kannauj	02.05.2012	Elected to UP Legislative Council
8.	Shri Vijay Bahuguna	Uttarakhand	Tehri Garhwal	23.07.2012	Elected to Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly
9.	Shri Virbhadra Singh	Himachal Pradesh	Mandi	01.01.2013	Elected to Himachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly.
10.	Shri Vitthalbhai Hansrajbhai Radadiya	Gujarat	Porbandar	03.01.2013	Elected to Gujarat Legislative Assembly.
11.	Shri N. Chaluvaraya Swamy	Karnataka	Mandya	21.05.2013	Elected to Karnataka Legislative Assembly
12.	Shri H.D. Kumaraswamy	Karnataka	Bangalore Rural	21.05.2013	Elected to Karnataka Legislative Assembly
13.	Shri C.M. Chang	Nagaland	Nagaland	21.09.2013	Elected to Nagaland Legislative Assembly
14.	Shri Uday Pratap Singh	Madhya Pradesh	Hoshangabad	10.12.2013	Elected to Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly
15.	Shri K.D. Deshmukh	Madhya Pradesh	Balaghat	12.12.2013	Elected to Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly

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16.	Shri Bhoopendra Singh	Madhya Pradesh	Sagar	13.12.2013	Elected to Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly
17.	Smt. Yashodhara Raje Scindia	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior	19.12.2013	Elected to Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly
18.	Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena	Rajasthan	Dausa	19.12.2013	Elected to Rajasthan Legislative Assembly
19.	Shri Lagadapati Rajagopal	Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	19.02.2014	
20.	Shri Somendra Nath Mitra	West Bengal	Diamond Harbour	01.03.2014	
21.	Shri Kalyan Singh	Uttar Pradesh	Etah	01.03.2014	
22.	Shri Anand Prakash Paranjpe	Maharashtra	Kalyan	01.03.2014	
23.	Shri Brijbhushan Sharan Singh	Uttar Pradesh	Kesarganj	15.03.2014	
24.	Shri Jagdambika Pal	Uttar Pradesh	Domariyaganj	15.03.2014	

STATEMENT 25

Obituary References

Sl. No.	Name of Member/Dignitary and particulars	Date of Death/ Incident	Date of Obituary/ Reference	Time taken Hr.	Time taken Mts.
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Shri Giridhari Lal Bhargava (Member, Ninth to Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	08.03.2009			
2.	Shri Guman Mal Lodha (Member, Ninth to Eleventh Lok Sabha)	12.03.2009			
3.	Shri Tulmohan Ram (Member, Third, Fourth and the Fifth Lok Sabha)	28.03.2009			
4.	Shri A.F. Golam Osmani (Member, Twelfth to Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	31.03.2009	4.06.2009		00.15
5.	Shri Sri Shanker Tewari (Member, Fifth Lok Sabha)	09.04.2009			
6.	Shri Virendra Verma (Member, Twelfth Lok Sabha)	02.05.2009			
7.	Shri Homi F. Daji (Member, Third Lok Sabha)	14.05.2009			

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8.	Reference to the Cyclone 'AILA' which struck the State of West Bengal and Bangladesh	25.05.2009	4.06.2009	00	02
9.	Reference to the Crash of an Air France plane with 228 persons on board into the Atlantic Ocean				
10.	Shri Shiv Charan Mathur (Member, Third and Tenth Lok Sabha)	25.06.2009	2.07.2009	00	06
11.	Shri Fasi-ur-Rehman Munnan Khan (Member, Ninth Lok Sabha)				
12.	Dr. Madan Prasad Jaiswal (Member, Eleventh to Thirteenth Lok Sabha)	20.02.2009	07.07.2009	00	04
13.	Shrimati Gayatri Devi (Member, Third to Fifth Lok Sabha)	29.07.2009	31.07.2009	00	04
14.	Shri Nakli Singh (Member, Eleventh and Twelfth Lok Sabha)	20.08.2009			
15.	Shri Yashwantrao Mohite (Member, Seventh Lok Sabha)	22.08.2009			
16.	Dr. Y.S. Rajasekara Reddy (Member Ninth to Twelfth Lok Sabha)	03.09.2009			
17.	Prof. Sher Singh (Member, Fourth to Sixth Lok Sabha)	05.09.2009			
18.	Shri Rao Birendra Singh (Member, Fifth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Lok Sabha)	30.09.2009	19.11.2009	00	18
19.	Shri Pyarelal Khandelwal (Member, Ninth Lok Sabha)	06.10.2009			
20.	Shri Kacharulal Hemraj Jain (Member, Sixth Lok Sabha)	06.10.2009			
21.	Shri Bikram Keshari Deo (Member, Twelfth to Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	07.10.2009			
22.	Shri Parvathaneni Upendra (Member, Eleventh and Twelfth Lok Sabha)	16.11.2009			
23.	Shri V. Kandasamy (Member, Eleventh Lok Sabha)	10.09.2009			
24.	Shri P. Mohan (Member, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	30.10.2009	25.11.2009	00	06
25.	Shri Ajit Bag (Member, Seventh Lok Sabha)	07.11.2009			
26.	Shri B. Shankaranand (Member, Fourth to Tenth Lok Sabha)	20.11.2009			

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27.	Shri K.C. Sharma (Member, Seventh Lok Sabha)	06.11.2009			
28.	Shri S. Xavier (Member, Fourth Lok Sabha)	06.12.2009			
29.	Shri Surendra Pal Singh (Member, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Eighth Lok Sabha)	10.12.2009	18.12.2009	00	06
30.	Shri Shambhu Nath (Member, Fourth and Fifth Lok Sabha)	12.12.2009			
31.	Reference to Naxal attack in which the son of Shri Baliram Kashyap, MP was killed at Bhanpuri in Bastar, Chhattisgarh	26.09.2009			
32.	Reference of the death of 45 tourists in an accident in which a boat capsized in Thekkady Lake in Iddukki district of Kerala	30.09.2009			
33.	Reference to a Naxal attack at Laheri Police Station in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra in which 17 police personnel were killed	8.10.2009	19.11.2009	00	04
34.	Reference to the death of 22 persons in a railway accident between Goa Express and Mewar Express near Mathura, Uttar Pradesh	21.10.2009			
35.	Reference to the death of 7 persons in derailment of Mandor Express in Dausa District of Rajasthan	14.11.2009			
36.	Reference to the unprecedented rains, landslides and floods and cyclone in Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra in which hundreds of people died and many were rendered homeless, besides large scale destruction of property and cattle	Oct.-Nov., 2009	25.11.2009	00	02
37.	Reference to death of 50 workers in the collapse of a under construction chimney tower at Korba, Chhattisgarh	23.09.2009			
38.	Reference to the death of 11 persons in huge fire at Indian Oil Corporation depots of Indian Oil Corporation at Sanganer, Jaipur	20.10.2009	25.11.2009	00	02
39.	Adoption of the Resolution to mark the 1st anniversary of the terrorist attack in Mumbai which resulted in huge loss of innocent lives of Indian citizens as well as foreign nationals	28.11.2008	26.11.2009	00	04
40.	Reference to the 25th anniversary of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy	3.12.1984	3.12.2009	00	01
41.	[1]Reference to the 8th anniversary of the terrorist attack on Parliament House on 13 December 2001	13.12.2001	11.12.2009	00	04

[1]Reference was made on 11.12.2009 as 12.12.2009 and 13.12.2009 were holidays.

1	2	3	4	5	6
42.	Shri Arvind Tulsiram Kamble (Member, Eight, Ninth, Tenth and Twelfth Lok Sabha)	28.12.2009			
43.	Shri Nageshwar Dwivedi (Member, Fourth and Fifth Lok Sabha)	1.1.2010			
44.	Shri Jagpal Singh (Member, Seventh and Ninth Lok Sabha)	13.1.2010			
			22.2.2010	00	15
45.	Shri Virdhi Chander Jain (Member, Seventh and Eighth Lok Sabha)	13.1.2010			
46.	Shri Ram Niwas Mirdha (Member, Eighth and Tenth Lok Sabha)	29.1.2010			
47.	Shri Jyoti Basu (Former Chief Minister, West Bengal)	17.1.2010			
48.	Shri Janeshwar Mishra (Member, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Ninth Lok Sabha)	22.1.2010			
49.	Shri Brahmananda Panda (Member, Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	23.01.2010			
50.	Shri Chowkhamoon Gohain (Member, First and Second Lok Sabha)	2.02.2010	23.2.2010	00	12
51.	Shri D.N.Reddy (Member, Eighth Lok Sabha)	16.2.2010			
52.	Shri Madhukar Sirpotdar (Member, Eleventh and Twelfth Lok Sabha)	20.2.2010			
53.	Shri Khagapati Pradhani (Member, Fourth to Twelfth Lok Sabha)	3.2.2010			
			5.3.2010	00	05
54.	Shri Ashok Singh (Member, Eleventh and Twelfth Lok Sabha)	23.2.2010			
55.	Shri Nanaji Deshmukh (Member, Sixth Lok Sabha)	27.2.2010	12.3.2010	00	05
56.	Mr. Lech Kaczynski (President of Poland)	10.4.2010			
57.	Shri Shivsharn Verma (Member, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Lok Sabha)	27.1.2010			
			15.4.2010	00	12
58.	Shri P. Rajarethinam (Member, Twelfth Lok Sabha)	4.2.2010			
59.	Smt. Sunderwati Nawal Prabhakar (Member, Eighth Lok Sabha)	24.3.2010			
60.	Shri Varkala Radhakrishnan (Member, Twelfth to Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	26.4.2010			
			27.4.2010	00	08
61.	Smt. Prabhu Rau (Member, Thirteenth Lok Sabha)	26.4.2010			
62.	Shri Satyendra Chandra Guria	24.4.2010	28.4.2010	00	06

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63.	Shri A Jayamohan (Member, Eighth to Tenth Lok Sabha)	25.4.2010	3.5.2010	00	06
64.	Shri T. Bala Goud (Member, Eighth and Ninth Lok Sabha)	1.3.2010	4.5.2010	00	06
65.	Shri R.P. Yadav (Member, Fifth and Seventh Lok Sabha)	28.3.2010	07.05.2010	00	06
66.	Reference to the death of 15 persons including foreigners and injuries caused to 60 persons in a terrorist attack at a Bakery in Pune	13.2.2010			
67.	Reference to the death of 20 paramilitary personnel in a Naxal attack at Silda Camp of Eastern Frontier Rifles in West Midnapore, West Bengal	15.2.2010	22.02.2010	00	02
68.	Reference to a Naxal attack at Philwari Village of Jamui District in Bihar leading to death of 11 villagers	18.2.2010			
69.	Reference to the death of 63 people including women and children and injuries to hundreds in a stampede in an ashram at Pratapgarh, Uttar Pradesh	4.3.2010	5.3.2010	00	01
70.	Reference to the death of 75 paramilitary personnel of CRPF and one state police official in a Maoist attack at Dantewada district in Chhattisgarh	6.4.2010			
71.	Reference to the death of 11 security personnel of the Special Operations Group in a Naxal attack in Koraput district of Odisha.	4.4.2010	15.4.2010	00	02
72.	Reference to the death of 120 people caused by a tornado in the State of Assam, Bihar and West Bengal.	14.4.2010			
73.	Reference to the tragic incident in which about 7 people died in a stampede and two others drowned at Haridwar	14.4.2010	15.4.2010	00	02
74.	Reference to the death of two persons and injury to over a dozen others in an accident in which a large number of houses of dalits were set ablaze by some anti-social elements in Mirchpur Village of Hisar district of Haryana	21.4.2010	27.4.2010	00	01
75.	Shri Bhairon Singh Shekhawat (Former Vice-President of India)	15.5.2010			
76.	Shri Digvijay Singh (Sitting Member and Member, Twelfth and Thirteenth Lok Sabha)	24.6.2010	26.7.2010	00	08
77.	Shri Ram Sagar (Member, Sixth and Ninth Lok Sabha)	12.7.2010			
78.	Shri Zora Singh Mann (Member, Twelfth to Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	27.6.2010	27.7.2010	00	02
79.	Shri Mohan Lal Jhikram (Member, Eighth to Tenth Lok Sabha)	06.06.2010			
80.	Shri Shiv Charan Gupta (Member, Third Lok Sabha)	26.7.2010	29.7.2010	00	03

1	2	3	4	5	6
81.	Shri S.K. Rai (Member, Fifth Lok Sabha)	16.2.2010			
82.	Dr. A.U. Azmi (Member, Seventh Lok Sabha)	24.5.2010	12.8.2010	00	02
83.	Smt. Usha Choudhary (Member, Seventh and Eighth Lok Sabha)	02.8.2010			
84.	Shri Kalpanath Sonkar (Member, Seventh and Ninth Lok Sabha)	23.8.2010	31.8.2010	00	02
85.	Reference to the death of eight CRPF personnel in a naxal attack in Bijapur district of Chhattisgarh	8.5.2010			
86.	Reference to the death of six villagers including the sarpanch of the village in another naxal attack in Rajnandgaon district of Chhattisgarh	16.5.2010			
87.	Reference to the loss of 158 lives in an Air India Express plane crash outside Mangalore airport in Karnataka	22.5.2010			
88.	Reference to the suspected Naxalite attack on Mumbai bound Gyaneshwri Express leading to its collision with a goods train causing death of 148 people and injuries to over 200 people in West Midnapore district of West Bengal	28.5.2010	26.7.2010	00	03
89.	Reference to the death of 27 paramilitary personnel of CRPF and injuries to seven others including four special police officers of the Chhattisgarh Police in a Maoist attack in Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh	26.9.2010			
90.	Reference to the death of 60 people and injuries to 90 people in a collision of Sealdah bound Uttarbanga Express with the Ranchi bound Vananchal Express at Sainthia Station in Birbhum District of West Bengal	19.7.2010			
91.	Reference to the recent devastating floods caused by heavy rains in Punjab, Haryana and some other parts of the country resulting in loss of lives of 51 people and also loss of lives of a large number of cattle and large-scale destruction to crops and property	August, 2010			
92.	Reference to the death of more than 175 people with over 200 people missing and injuries to hundreds of others due to a massive cloud burst in Leh in Jammu & Kashmir	6.8.2010	9.8.2010	00	01
93.	Reference to the death of 25 people including children in an incident in which a boat was caught in a whirlpool and capsized in the swollen Kosi river	11.8.2010	12.8.2010	00	01
94.	Reference to the death of 18 children of a primary school in a landslide triggered by a cloud burst in Bageshwar, Uttarakhand	18.8.2010	19.8.2010	00	01
95.	Homage to the martyrs of Kargil War on the 11th Anniversary of the Indian victory in Kargil War	26.7.2010	26.7.2010	00	01

1	2	3	4	5	6
96.	Shri N.K. Somani (Member, Fourth Lok Sabha)	1.08.2010			
97.	Shri Ganga Bhakt Singh (Member, Sixth Lok Sabha)	15.08.2010			
98.	Shri Lalji Bhai (Member, Fifth and Sixth Lok Sabha)	5.09.2010			
99.	Shri Shankarrao Mane (Member, Fourth Lok Sabha)	8.10.2010	9.11.2010	00	05
100.	Shri Onkar Lal (Member, Second Lok Sabha)	10.10.2010			
101.	Shri Siddhartha Shankar Ray (Member, Fifth Lok Sabha)	6.11.2010			
102.	Dr. Vasant Pawar (Member, Tenth Lok Sabha)	7.10.2010			
103.	Shri Amar Pal Singh (Member, Tenth to Twelfth Lok Sabha)	15.11.2010	22.11.2010	00	02
104.	Shri Mahabir Prasad (Member, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	28.11.2010	1.12.2010	00	02
105.	Shri Shrikishan Modi (Member, Fifth Lok Sabha)	22.11.2010	3.12.2010	00	02
106.	Shri Meghrajji (Member, Fourth Lok Sabha)	1.08.2010			
107.	Shri M. Rajashekara Murthy (Member, Seventh Lok Sabha)	5.12.2010	10.12.2010	00	03
108.	Reference to the tragic loss of life and damage to property due to the Tsunami in the Mentawai Islands of Sumatra and the eruption of Mount Merapi in Java, Indonesia	25.10.2010 and 30.11.2010			
109.	Reference to the death of 34 people and injury to over 160 people in collision of a goods train with Indore-Gwalior Intercity Express at Badarwas Station in Shivpuri district of Madhya Pradesh	20.09.2010			
110.	Reference to a tragic accident in which a trawler capsized in the Hooghly river near Kakdwip in South 24 Parganas district of West Bengal drowning about 69 persons	30.10.2010	9.11.2010	00	03
111.	Reference to the loss of lives of about thirty people and large scale destruction of property due to cyclone 'Jal' that struck the coastal regions of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu	8.11.2010			
112.	Reference to collapse of a multi-storey building in Lalita Park of East Delhi's Laxmi Nagar in which about 70 people were killed and 82 were injured	15.11.2010	22.11.2010	00	01
113.	Reference on the second anniversary of terrorist attack in Mumbai on 26th November, 2008	26.11.2008	26.11.2010	00	01
114.	Reference to the Bhopal Gas Tragedy that occurred 26 years ago in 1984	3.12.1984	3.12.2010	00	01

1	2	3	4	5	6
115.	Reference to the loss of 170 lives and displacement of thousands of others due to heavy rains in the State of Tamil Nadu	Nov./Dec. 2010	8.12.2010	00	02
116.	Reference to a cowardly terrorist attack causing death of one infant and injuries to 39 people when a bomb exploded at Sheetla Ghat in Varanasi	7.12.2010	7.12.2010	00	01
117.	Reference to the unprecedented rains in the coastal regions of Andhra Pradesh due to which 14 people were killed and thousands of others displaced	Nov./Dec. 2010	10.12.2010	00	01
118.	Reference to the Ninth Anniversary of the terrorist attack on Parliament House on 13th December, 2001	13.12.2001	13.12.2010	00	01
119.	Shri Bali Ram Bhagat (Former Speaker, Lok Sabha and Member, Provisional Parliament, First to Fifth, Seventh and Eighth Lok Sabha)	02.01.2011			
120.	Shri Latafat Ali Khan (Member, Fourth Lok Sabha)	23.11.2010			
121.	Smt. Prabhawati Gupta (Member, Eighth Lok Sabha)	10.12.2010	21.02.2011	00	14
122.	Shri K. Karunakaran (Member, Twelfth and Thirteenth Lok Sabha)	23.12.2010			
123.	Shri T.S. Shrangare (Member, Sixth Lok Sabha)	08.01.2011			
124.	Pandit Bhimsen Joshi (Legendary classical singer)	24.01.2011			
125.	Shri Arjun Singh (Member, Eighth and Tenth Lok Sabha)	04.03.2011	07.03.2011	00	03
126.	Shri Baliram Kashyap (Sitting Member and Member,Twelfth to Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	10.03.2011	10.03.2011	00	03
127.	Shri S.B.P.B.K. Satyanarayana Rao (Member, Thirteenth Lok Sabha)	21.01.2011	24.03.2011	00	03
128.	Shri S. Benjamin (Member, Ninth Lok Sabha)	06.03.2011	25.03.2011	00	03
129.	Reference to a tragic incident of stampede during the annual Sabarimala pilgrimage at Pulmedu near Vandiperiyar in Idukki district of Kerala causing death of 102 pilgrims including children and injuries to over hundred others	14.01.2011	21.02.2011	00	02
130.	Reference to the tragic loss of lives of several thousands of people and a large-scale damage to property in Japan's northeastern coast caused by a massive 9.0 magnitude earthquake triggering devastating tsunami	11.03.2011	14.03.2011	00	02
131.	Reference to death of 17 women due to the injection of contaminated intravenous fluid in a hospital in Jodhpur, Rajasthan	March, 2011	15.03.2011	00	01
132.	Eightieth anniversary of martyrdom of Bhagat Singh, Rajguru and Sukhdev who laid down their lives in the nation's freedom struggle	23.03.1931	23.03.2011	00	03

1	2	3	4	5	6
133.	Shri Bhajan Lal (Sitting Member and Member, Ninth and Twelfth Lok Sabha)	03.06.2011			
134.	Shri Dharmabhiksham (Member, Tenth and Eleventh Lok Sabha)	26.03.2011			
135.	Prof. Sripal Singh Yadav (Member, Ninth and Tenth Lok Sabha)	26.04.2011			
136.	Shri Sribatcha Digal (Member, Sixth Lok Sabha)	15.04.2011	01.08.2011	00	12
137.	Shri L.S. Tur (Member, Seventh Lok Sabha)	14.06.2011			
138.	Shri Chaturanan Mishra (Member, Eleventh Lok Sabha)	02.07.2011			
139.	Shri Ram Chandra Vikal (Member, Fifth Lok Sabha)	26.06.2011			
140.	Shri Inder Jit (Member, Ninth and Tenth Lok Sabha)	31.07.2011	02.08.2011	00	04
141.	Shri Daulat Ram Saran (Member, Sixth, Seventh and Ninth Lok Sabha)	02.07.2011			
142.	Shri V.S. Krishna Iyer (Member, Eighth Lok Sabha)	25.07.2011	04.08.2011	00	04
143.	Shri Shantilal Purshottamdas Patel (Member, Eighth, Ninth, Eleventh and Twelfth Lok Sabha)	24.05.2011	10.08.2011	00	03
144.	Reference to two attacks in Oslo and Island of Utoya in the Kingdom of Norway in which 76 persons died and 96 were injured	22.07.2011			
145.	Reference to the reported death of 25 people and injuries to about 100 people when three bombs exploded in the most congested parts of Mumbai in a terrorist attack	13.07.2011			
146.	Reference to the death of 38 people including children and injuries to 29 people in a collision between a bus and Mathura-Chhapra Express at Thanagaon, Patiyali in Kanshiram Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	7.07.2011			
147.	Reference to the death of 80 people and injuries to 200 persons when Kalka Mail derailed near Malwan, Fatehpur, Uttar Pradesh	10.07.2011	1.08.2011	00	04
148.	Reference to the train accident in which 200 people were injured when the engine and four coaches of Guwahati-Puri Express derailed between Rangiya and Ghagrapar Stations in Nalbari, Assam	10.07.2011			
149.	Reference to the death of 3 people and injuries to more than 50 persons when Azimgunj-Malda Passenger train rammed into derailed Guwahati-Banglore Express train at Bakharpur, Malda in West Bengal	31.07.2011			
150.	Reference to the bomb blast which occurred outside the High Court of Delhi	7.09.2011	7.09.2011	00	02

1	2	3	4	5	6
151.	Shri Ataur Rahman (Member, Eighth Lok Sabha)	09.09.2011			
152.	Shri Vasant Sathe (Member, Fifth to Ninth Lok Sabha)	23.09.2011			
153.	Shri Dal Chander Jain (Member, Eighth Lok Sabha)	25.09.2011			
154.	Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad (Member, First, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh & Eighth Lok Sabha)	04.10.2011	22.11.2011	00	09
155.	Shri Sushil Chandra Varma (Member, Ninth to Twelfth Lok Sabha)	06.10.2011			
156.	Shri Moti Lal Malviya (Member, First and Second Lok Sabha)	24.10.2011			
157.	Shri Harish Kumar Gangwar (Member, Seventh Lok Sabha)	26.11.2011	01.12.2011	00	02
158.	Shri Dharma Dev Anand (Noted film actor)	03.12.2011	08.12.2011	00	02
159.	Shri Chiranji Lal Sharma (Member, Seventh to Tenth Lok Sabha)	12.12.2011	14.12.2011	00	03
160.	Shri R.L. Kureel (Member, Sixth Lok Sabha)	04.11.2011	22.12.2011	00	02
161.	Shri S. Bangarappa (Member, Eleventh, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Lok Sabha)	26.12.2011	27.12.2011	00	02
162.	Dr. Bapu Kaldate (Member, Sixth Lok Sabha)	17.11.2011	29.12.2011	00	02
163.	Reference to severe earthquake in Sikkim resulting in death of more than 111 persons and injuries to hundreds others	18.09.2011			
164.	Reference to the reported death of 20 people and injuries to about 50 others in a stampede at Chandidweep Ghat close to Har Ki Pauri in Haridwar	08.11.2011			
165.	Reference to the reported death of 15 persons and injuries to 65 others in a fire that broke out in Nand Nagri locality in Delhi	20.11.2011	22.11.2011	00	08
166.	Reference to the death of 641 people and injuries to 2076 persons in earthquake in Turkey's eastern & province of Van	23.10.2011 and 09.11.2011			
167.	Reference to the floods in Thailand wherein more than 2.45 million people were affected and more than 500 people lost their lives	Aug.-Nov., 2011			
168.	Reference to the death of 7 persons in fire that broke out in the Howrah-Dehradun Express between Nimiaghat and Parasnath Stations in Giridih district of Jharkhand	22.11.2011	23.11.2011	00	01
169.	Reference to the devastating floods in Odisha resulting in loss of lives and massive destruction of properties	Sept.-Oct., 2011	24.11.2011	00	01

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170.	Reference condemning the assault on Shri Sharad Pawar, Minister of Agriculture and Food Processing Industries	24.11.2011	25.11.2011	00	01
171.	Reference to death of 15 persons and 35 injured in bus accident in Mehkar Tehsil of Buldhana district of Maharashtra	28.11.2011	29.11.2011	00	01
172.	Reference regarding landmine blast in the convoy of Shri Inder Singh Namdhari, MP, Lok Sabha killing several persons including policemen accompanying the member in the explosion	03.12.2011	07.12.2011	00	01
173.	Reference to the reported death of several persons and injuries to others in a massive fire accident at AMRI hospital in South Kolkata	09.12.2011	09.12.2011	00	01
174.	Reference to massive loss of lives in Southern Island Mindanao of Philippines hit by a tropical storm 'Sendog'	16.12.2011	21.12.2011	00	01
175.	Shri M.Y. Ghorpade (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	28.10.2011			
176.	Shri Ramchandra Ulaka (Member of the 3rd and 4th Lok Sabha)	25.12.2011			
177.	Shri Paragi Lal Choudhary (Member of the 11th Lok Sabha)	17.01.2012			
178.	Shri Brij Raj Singh (Member of the 3rd and 6th Lok Sabha)	21.01.2012	12.03.2012	00	11
179.	Shri M.O.H. Farook (Member of the 10th, 11th and 13th Lok Sabha)	26.01.2012			
180.	Col. Rao Ram Singh (Member of the 10th and 11th Lok Sabha)	30.01.2012			
181.	Shri Mani Ram Bagri (Member of the 3rd, 6th and 7th Lok Sabha)	31.01.2012			
182.	Shri Uttam Rao Patil (Member of the 7th to 10th, 12th and 13th Lok Sabha)	10.03.2012	15.03.2012	00	02
183.	Shri Hafiz Mohd. Siddiq (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	13.03.2012	19.03.2012	00	02
184.	Shri C.K. Chandrappan (Member of the 5th, 6th and 14th Lok Sabha)	22.03.2012	26.03.2012	00	03
185.	Shri Sudhir Ghosal (Member of the 6th Lok Sabha)	29.01.2012	29.03.2012	00	03
186.	Shri Dinesh Pratap Singh (Member of the 1st and 2nd Lok Sabha)	17.02.2012	24.04.2012	00	03
187.	Shri N.K.P. Salve (Member of the 4th and 5th Lok Sabha)	01.04.2012	24.04.2012	00	03
188.	Shri Brij Bhushan Tiwari (Member of the 6th, 9th and 11th Lok Sabha)	25.04.2012	26.04.2012	00	02
189.	Shri Tek Lal Mahato (Member of the 14th Lok Sabha)	27.09.2012	08.05.2012	00	02

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190.	Reference to the earthquake in the central Philippines resulting in death of 69 people and injuries to more than hundred others	06.02.2012			
191.	Reference to the death of 19 army personnel and injuries to several others in two massive avalanches that hit hilly regions of Ganderbal and Bandipora districts of Kashmir valley	22.02.2012	12.03.2012	00	02
192.	Reference to the death of 15 persons and injuries to 3 others in a collision between a mini van and Mathura-Kasganj Express in Hathras district of Uttar Pradesh	20.03.2012	21.03.2012	00	03
193.	Reference to the death of 14 children and injuries to 30 other children when a school bus plunged into a canal to avoid a collision with a bike in Khammam district of Andhra Pradesh				
194.	Reference to the death of 6 workers and injuries to 18 others due to collapse of abridge over the river Alaknanda near Srinagar in Pauri district of Uttarakhand	25.03.2012	26.03.2012	00	02
195.	Reference to the death of 15 CRPF personnel and injuries to several others in a landmine blast by terrorists near Pushtola in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra	27.03.2012	28.03.2012	00	02
196.	Reference to a road mishap that took place near Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh resulting in death of about 20 persons and injuries to many	29.04.2012	02.05.2012	00	01
197.	Reference to two incidents of lightening strike in which 17 people died in different parts of Andhra Pradesh and 16 people died and several others were injured in Howrah district of West Bengal				
198.	Reference regarding an incident in which 100 people were reportedly drowned and about 200 persons were missing when a boat capsized in the Brahmaputra river in the Dhubri district of Assam	30.04.2012	02.05.2012	00	03
199.	Reference to a tragic incident in which seven persons were reported to have been killed and 175 persons injured and crops and livestock were destroyed due to a tornado accompanied by rain and hailstorm in several parts of Tripura during the last few days	27.04.2012 to 30.04.2012	02.05.2012	00	01
200.	Reference regarding a maoist attack in which 6 CISF personnel and a civilian jeep driver were reported to have been killed in Kirandul town of Dantewada district of Chhattisgarh	13.04.2012	14.05.2012	00	02
201.	Reference to the death of 15 persons and injuries to several others in a collision between a stationary goods train and Hubli-Bengaluru Express in Ananthpur district of Andhra Pradesh	22.05.2012	22.05.2012	00	02

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202.	Shri Ranjit Sinh Gaekwad (Member of the 7th and 8th Lok Sabha)	10.05.2012			
203.	Shri Ganga Ram (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	23.06.2012			
204.	Shri Lambodar Baliyar (Member of the 5th Lok Sabha)	26.06.2012			
205.	Shri Bhanwar Singh Dangawas (Member of the 14th Lok Sabha)	02.07.2012	08.08.2012	00	05
206.	Shri Pratap Singh (Member of the 9th and 10th Lok Sabha)	05.07.2012			
207.	Smt. Mrinal Gore (Member of the 6th Lok Sabha)	17.07.2012			
208.	Shri Rajesh Khanna (Member of the 10th Lok Sabha)	18.07.2012			
209.	Shri Bibhudendra Mishra (Member of the 3rd Lok Sabha)	15.02.2012	09.08.2012	00	01
210.	Shri Vilasrao Deshmukh (Union Cabinet Minister and Member of Rajya Sabha)	14.08.2012	16.08.2012	00	01
211.	Shri Prabhatsinh H. Chauhan (Member of the 9th Lok Sabha)	01.07.2012	22.08.2012	00	01
212.	Shri A.K. Hangal (Noted film actor)	26.08.2012	27.08.2012	00	01
213.	Shri Kashiram Rana (Member of the 9th to 14th Lok Sabha)	31.08.2012	03.09.2012	00	01
214.	Reference to the floods in Assam resulting in death of more than 125 people and affecting about 24 lakh people and causing large scale destruction and devastation of property and crops	April-July 2012			
215.	Reference to the death of 73 persons and injuries to 61 others, besides rendering about two lakh people homeless in the sporadic ethnic violence in Assam	July-August 2012			
216.	Reference to the loss of lives of more than 100 pilgrims during Amarnath Yatra	July-August 2012			
217.	Reference to the death of 39 pilgrims mostly Indians and inquiries to several others in a bus accident at Triveni in Nepal	15.07.2012	08.08.2012	00	04
218.	Reference to the death of 32 persons and 25 others injured in a fire accident in the Chennai-bound Tamil Nadu Express near Nellore in Andhra Pradesh	30.07.2012			
219.	Reference to the death of 29 pilgrims and 45 other injured in a collision between two trucks at Bhiwani in Harayana	30.07.2012			
220.	Reference to the death of 27 persons and 26 others injured in a bus accident in Dehradun in Uttarakhand	01.08.2012			

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221.	Reference to the death of 34 persons and several others missing in flash floods in the States of Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttar Pradesh due to cloud burst	04.08.2012			
222.	Reference to the death of 6 persons including 4 Indian citizens and 2 American citizens of Indian origin and injuries to 3 others in a shooting incident at a Gurudwara in Wisconsin, USA	05.08.2012	08.08.2012	00	04
223.	Reference to the death of 6 persons and several others missing in flash floods and landslides due to heavy rain in Kerala	07.08.2012	09.08.2012	00	01
224.	Reference to the death of 38 persons and injuries to 49 others in a fire accident at a private cracker factory in Sivakasi, Tamil Nadu	05.09.2012	06.09.2012	00	02
225.	Shri Ram Sewak Chowdhury (Member of the 3rd, 4th and 5th Lok Sabha)	28.07.2012			
226.	Shri Bharat Bhushan (Member of the 6th Lok Sabha)	09.08.2012			
227.	Shri Sat Mahajan (Member of the 11th Lok Sabha)	01.09.2012			
228.	Shri Raj Kumar Rai (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	24.09.2012			
229.	Shri Lourdasamy Adaikalaraj (Member of the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Lok Sabha)	27.09.2012			
230.	Shri Nawal Kishore Sharma (Member of the 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th and 11th Lok Sabha)	08.10.2012	22.11.2012		09
231.	Shri Harihar Swain (Member of the 14th Lok Sabha)	13.10.2012			
232.	Shri Ram Sewak Hazari (Member of the 6th Lok Sabha)	27.10.2012			
233.	Shri K. Yerrannaidu (Member of the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14 Lok Sabha)	02.11.2012			
234.	Shri Krishna Chandra Pant (Member of the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 8th Lok Sabha)	15.11.2012			
235.	Shri Bal Keshav Thackeray [Founder of Shiv Sena (Non-Member)]	17.11.2012			
236.	Shri Harikewal Prasad (Member of the 9th, 10th, 12th and 14th Lok Sabha)	15.09.2012	27.11.2012		02
237.	Shri Tarachand Sahu (Member of the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th Lok Sabha)	11.11.2012			
238.	Shri Inder Kumar Gujaral (Former Prime Minister of India and Member of the 9th and 12th Lok Sabha)	30.11.2012	03.12.2012		02
239.	Pandit Ravi Shankar (Eminent Musician and Ex-Member of Rajya Sabha)	12.12.2012	12.12.2012		02
240.	Shri Shankarrao D. Kale (Member of the 10th Lok Sabha)	05.11.2012	14.12.2012		01

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241.	Reference to the death of more than 25 persons in cyclone Nilam which hit the coasts of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu	31.10.2012			
242.	Reference to the death of 113 people and loss of property caused by hurricane Sandy which struck the East Coast of the United States	03.11.2012	22.11.2012		04
243.	Reference to the tragic accident which occurred due to collapsing of bamboo bridge near Bankipur in Patna causing death of more than 17 persons and injury to 40 others	19.11.2012			
244.	Reference to the Fourth Anniversary of terrorist attack in Mumbai	26.11.2008	26.11.2012		02
245.	Reference to the Bhopal Gas Tragedy	03.12.1984	03.12.2012		02
246.	Reference to the Eleventh Anniversary of the terrorist attack on Parliament House	13.12.2001	13.12.2012		02
247.	Shri Uma Shankar Singh (Sitting Member, 15th Lok Sabha)	24.01.2013			
248.	Shri Manharan Lal Pandey (Member of the 11th Lok Sabha)	21.01.2013	21.02.2013	-	04
249.	Shri P. Shanmugam (Member of the 7th, 8th and 9th Lok Sabha)	02.02.2013			
250.	Shri Baishnab Charan Patnaik (Member of the 3rd Lok Sabha)	01.01.2013	26.02.2013		01
251.	Shri Mukesh Bhairavdanji Gadhvi (Sitting Member, 15th Lok Sabha)	01.03.2013	01.03.2013		01
252.	Shri Krishna Kumar Chowdhary (Member of the 12th Lok Sabha)	24.12.2012	07.03.2013		02
253.	Mr. Hugo Chavez (President of Venezuela)	05.03.2013	11.03.2013		01
254.	Shri Viren Shah (Member of the 4th Lok Sabha)	09.03.2013	12.03.2013	—	01
255.	Shri Kumar Majhi (Member of the 5th Lok Sabha)	27.01.2013			
256.	Shri Tindivanam G. Venkatraman (Member of the 11th Lok Sabha)	21.02.2013	13.03.2013		03
257.	Smt. Maya Ray (Member of the 5th Lok Sabha)	11.03.2013	13.03.2013		03
258.	Shri Kailash Nath Singh Yadav (Member of the 9th Lok Sabha)	09.03.2013	19.03.2013		01
259.	Shri Francis Fanthome (Member of the 14th Lok Sabha)	12.03.2013			
260.	Shri Naresh Kumar Baliyan (Member of the 10th Lok Sabha)	17.03.2013	20.03.2013		02

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261.	Mr. Mohammad Zillur Rahman (President of Bangladesh)	20.03.2013	21.03.2013		02
262.	Lady Margaret Thatcher (Former Prime Minister of United Kingdom)	08.04.2013	22.04.2013		01
263.	Shri Ambica Banerjee (Sitting Member, 15th Lok Sabha)	25.04.2013	25.04.2013		03
264.	Shri C. Kuppusami (Member of the 12th, 13th and 14th Lok Sabha)	19.04.2013			
265.	Shri D.K. Audikesavulu (Member of the 14th Lok Sabha)	24.04.2013	26.04.2013		02
266.	Shri Sarabjit Singh (An Indian citizen killed in Pakistan Jail) (Resolution was adopted)	02.05.2013	02.05.2013		01
267.	Shri Krishna Kumar Goyal (Member of the 6th and 7th Lok Sabha)	23.04.2013	03.05.2013		02
268.	Shri Chandramani Tripathi (Member of the 12th and 14th Lok Sabha)	23.03.2013	07.05.2013		03
269.	Reference to the death of 37 pilgrims of Kumbh Mela due to stampede at Allahabad Railway Station	10.02.2013	21.02.2013		01
270.	Reference on the tragic incident of Bomb Blasts in Hyderabad in which several persons were killed	21.02.2013	22.02.2013		02
271.	Reference on the tragic incident of capsizing of boat in Yamuna River Etawah district of Uttar Pradesh killing 11 persons	20.02.2013	26.02.2013		01
272.	Reference on killing of six policemen in a landmine blast in Gaya district of Bihar	22.02.2013	26.02.2013		01
273.	Reference on a major fire incident in a Kolkata Market killing 19 persons	27.02.2013	01.03.2013		01
274.	Reference to the loss of lives of 11 school children in a road accident in Jalandhar, Punjab	04.03.2013	04.03.2013		02
275.	Reference on the loss of lives of five CRPF jawans and injuries to several others in a terrorist attack at CRPF Camp in Srinagar, J&K	13.03.2013	14.03.2013		02
276.	Reference on the loss of lives of 36 people in a Bus accident in Ratnagiri district of Maharashtra	19.03.2013	19.03.2013		01
277.	Reference on the passing away of 74 persons in a Building collapse in Thane	04.04.2013	22.04.2013		04
278.	Reference on the killing of 5 Indian soldiers in UN Peace Keeping Force in Sudan	09.04.2013			
279.	Reference to the loss of lives of 3 persons and Injuries to 170 persons in a bomb blast incident in Boston, USA	15.04.2013			
280.	Reference regarding the earthquakes that occurred in Iran and Pakistan	16.04.2013			

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281.	Reference regarding the incident of rape of a Child in Delhi	16.04.2013	22.04.2013		01
282.	Reference to the loss of many lives and injuries to several others due to collapse of a multi-storey Building in Savar, Bangladesh	24.04.2013	26.04.2013		01
283.	Shri Birendra Prasad (Member of the 6th Lok Sabha)	11.01.2013			
284.	Shri Mahendra Karma (Member of the 11th Lok Sabha)	25.05.2013			
285.	Shri Lonappan Nambadan (Member of the 14th Lok Sabha)	05.06.2013			
286.	Shri Vidya Charan Shukla (Member of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th,7th, 8th, 9th and 10th Lok Sabha)	11.06.2013			
287.	Shri N. Dennis (Member of the 7th to 12th Lok Sabha)	21.06.2013			
288.	Shri Dinkar Balu Patil (Member of the 6th, 7th and 8th Lok Sabha)	24.06.2013			
289.	Dr. Chandra Sekhar Verma (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	25.06.2013	05.08.2013	00	13
290.	Shri Subhash Yadav (Member of the 7th to 8th Lok Sabha)	26.06.2013			
291.	Smt. Bhavnaben Devrajbhai Chikhalia (Member of the 10th to 13th Lok Sabha)	28.06.2013			
292.	Shri Harisinh Chavda (Member of the 10th and 14th Lok Sabha)	29.06.2013			
293.	Shri Samar Mukherjee (Member of the 5th to 7th Lok Sabha)	18.07.2013			
294.	Shri Khurshid Alam Khan (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	20.07.2013			
295.	Shri Arun Kumar Nehru (Member of the 7th, 8th and 9th Lok Sabha)	25.07.2013			
296.	Shri P. Subbiah Ambalam (Member of the 2nd Lok Sabha)	21.06.2013	07.08.2013	00	02
297.	Shri Amar Roypradhan (Member of the 6th to 13th Lok Sabha)	03.07.2013			
298.	Shri Ram Naresh Tripathee (Member of the 13th Lok Sabha)	05.08.2013	12.08.2013	00	02
299.	Shri D.P. Yadav (Member of the 5th, 7th and 8th Lok Sabha)	11.08.2013	13.08.2013	00	02
300.	Shri Dilip Singh Judev (Sitting Member)	14.08.2013	19.08.2013	00	02

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301.	Shri S.M. Lal Jan Basha (Member of the 10th Lok Sabha)	15.08.2013	20.08.2013	00	01
302.	Shri Dowarka Prasad Bairwa (Member of the 12th Lok Sabha)	23.07.2013	23.08.2013	00	02
303.	Shri Bhagwan Dutta Shastri (Member of the 1st Lok Sabha)	24.07.2013	06.09.2013	00	03
304.	Shri Hari Kishore Singh (Member of the 5th, 9th and 10th Lok Sabha)	28.08.2013			
305.	Unprecedented calamity in Uttarakhand due to landslide and flash flood	18.06.2013	05.08.2013	00	04
306.	Loss of lives of five crew members and fifteen others on board in an Indian Air Force helicopter during a rescue operation	25.06.2013			
307.	Naxal attack in Bastar in which 28 persons were killed	25.05.2013			
308.	Terrorist attack on Army Convoy in Srinagar in which 8 jawans were killed	24.06.2013			
309.	Death of six policemen including a Superintendent of Police in a naxal attack at Dumka in Jharkhand	02.07.2013			
310.	Tragic incident of food poisoning in Saran in Bihar in a Mid-day meal in which 23 school children died	16.07.2013			
311.	Train accident killing many people in Spain	24.07.2013			
312.	Road accident in Hanumangarh in Rajasthan in which several school children died	30.07.2013			
313.	Falling of a bus in the Bhakra Canal in Punjab killing 40 people	01.08.2013			
314.	Loss of lives in Kerala due to heavy rains, floods and landslides	05.08.2013	06.08.2013	00	01
315.	Bus accident in Nagori near Shimla in Himachal Pradesh killing 10 persons	06.08.2013	07.08.2013	00	01
316.	Loss of lives and property in Himachal Pradesh due to torrential rains	12.08.2013	13.08.2013	00	01
317.	Coal mine collapse in Sundargarh district of Odisha in which several people died	10.08.2013	14.08.2013	00	02
318.	Sinking of submarine INS Sindhurakshak after a major fire at naval dockyard in Mumbai	13.08.2013	19.08.2013	00	01
319.	Loss of lives in a train accident at Dhamara railway station in Khagaria district of Bihar	19.08.2013	20.08.2013	00	02

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320.	Shri Murarilal Singh (sitting Member, 15th Lok Sabha)	4.12.2013	5.12.2013	—	05
321.	Smt. Gurbinder Kaur Brar (Member of the 7th Lok Sabha)	7.9.2013			
322.	Shri R.P. Sarangi (Member of the 6th and 7th Lok Sabha)	8.9.2013			
323.	Shri Mohan Singh (Member of the 10th, 12th and 14th Lok Sabha)	22.9.2013			
324.	Shri Ram Naresh Kushwaha (Member of the 6th Lok Sabha)	7.10.2013			
325.	Shri Mohan Dharia (Member of 5th and 6th Lok Sabha)	14.10.2013			
326.	Dr. Nitish Sengupta (Member of the 13th Lok Sabha)	3.11.2013			
327.	Shri H.P. Singh (Member of the 12th Lok Sabha)	18.11.2013			
328.	Dr. Nelson Mandela (Former President of Republic of South Africa and Bharat Ratna Recipient)	6.12.2013	6.12.2013	—	48
329.	Shri Monoranjan Sur (Member of the 9th and 10th Lok Sabha)	15.11.2013	9.12.2013	—	02
330.	Shri Asutosh Law (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	3.11.2013	13.12.2013	—	04
331.	Shri S.D.N.R. Wadiyar (Member of 8th, 9th, 11th and 13th Lok Sabha)	10.12.2013			
332.	Shri Sheesh Ram Ola (Sitting member and Union Cabinet Minister, 15th Lok Sabha)	15.12.2013	16.12.2013	—	05
333.	Shri Somnath Rath (Member of the 8th Lok Sabha)	7.10.2013			
334.	Shri M.M. Hashim (Member of the 5th and 6th Lok Sabha)	22.12.2013	5.2.2014	—	07
335.	Shri P.K. Ghosh (Member of the 3rd to 5th Lok Sabha)	25.12.2013			
336.	Shri Deepak Kumar (Member of 13th Lok Sabha)	24.01.2014			
337.	Shri Pius Tirkey (Member of 6th to 10th Lok Sabha)	25.01.2014			
338.	Shri Sita Ram Singh (Member of the 14th Lok Sabha)	11.01.2014	13.02.2014	—	02
339.	Shri Bheem Singh Patel (Member of the 10th Lok Sabha)	22.01.2014	18.02.2014	—	02

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340.	Shri Chhitubhai Gamit (Member of 6th to 12th Lok Sabha)	17.12.2014	22.02.2014	—	
341.	Shri C.C. Gohain (Member of the 4th and 5th Lok Sabha)	16.02.2014			
342.	Smt. Parvathi Krishnan (Member of the 2nd, 5th and 6th Lok Sabha)	20.2.2014	21.02.2014	—	02
343.	Loss of lives of 67 persons including four Indian nationals in a terrorist attack in Westgate Mall in Nairobi, Kenya	21-24.9.2013	05.12.2013	—	05
344.	Loss of lives of 61 persons due to collapse of a multi-storey building in the Mazagoan area of Mumbai	27.9.2013			
345.	Loss of lives of 23 persons due to Cyclone Phailin in coastal districts of Odisha and Andhra Pradesh	13.10.2013			
346.	Loss of lives of 10 persons dye to Cyclone Helen in coastal areas of Andhra Pradesh	22.11.2013			
347.	Stampede during navratri festivities near Ratangarh Temple in Datia district of Madhya Pradesh causing reported loss of lives of 111 people	14.10.2013			
348.	Loss of lives of seven police personnel in a landmine blast in Aurangabad district of Bihar	3.12.2013			
349.	Large scale devastation and destruction, caused by super typhoon, 'Haiyan' in the Philippines	10.11.2013			
350.	Loss of lives of about 60 persons including several children due to severe cold in riot relief camps in Muzaffarnagar district of Uttar Prardesh	5.12.2013	11.12.2013	—	03
351.	Loss of lives of 54 people and injury to 41 others when a roof of a supermarket located in a suburb of Latvian capital of Riga collapsed	21.11.2013	05.02.2014	—	05
352.	Loss of lives in the terrorist attack against civilians in Volgogard, Russia	29 & 30 Dec., 2013			
353.	Loss of lives of 26 persons including 2 children and injury to several others in fire accident in Nanded-Banglore Express in Anantpuram district of Andhra Pradesh	28.12.2013			
354.	Loss of lives of 27 passengers and injury to 18 others in a bus accident in Malshej Ghats, Maharashtra	2.1.2014			
355.	Loss of lives of 31 persons in a building collapse in Panaji, Goa	4.1.2014			
356.	Loss of lives of 18 persons and injury to 40 others in a stampede in Malabar Hills, Mumbai	18.1.2014			
357.	Loss of lives of 21 persons in a boat accident in Andaman	26.1.2014			
358.	Loss of lives of about 10 persons and several other missing due to capsizing of motorboat in Hirakund Dam reservoir in Sambalpur, Odisha	9.2.2014	11.2.2014	—	01
359.	Loss of lives of 16 people and injury to three others when a truck collided with a car near Malda, West Bengal	11.2.2014			

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QUESTIONS

Parliamentary Questions are one of the important procedural devices that empower Members of Parliament to elicit factual information from the Government on a matter of public interest. It is a unique mechanism[1] to exercise surveillance over the administration; it is an important instrument in the hands of the members to ensure answerability or accountability of the administration for its acts of omission or commission to the Parliament and the people. The entire range of governmental activities comes under the scrutiny of Parliament by this procedure. Very often, members are able to pinpoint the administrative lapses and extract certain information and assurances or even commitments from the Government.

Generally, the first hour of every sitting of Lok Sabha, known as the "Question Hour", is available for asking and answering of questions. In very exceptional cases, the 'Question Hour' is dispensed with to take up some other urgent business only if the House unanimously agrees.

2. Period of Notice

A member is required to give not less than fifteen clear days' notice in writing in the prescribed form to table a question. Members can give notices of questions from the day following the day on which the summons for a session are issued. Such notices are addressed to the Secretary-General, Lok Sabha and specify the official designation of the Minister to whom the question is addressed.

3. Categories of Questions

Parliamentary questions are categorized as Starred, Unstarred, Short Notice Questions and Questions to Private Members.

A Starred Question is one to which a member desires an oral answer on the floor of the House. Answers to such questions may be followed by Supplementary Questions by members. Starred Questions derive their name from the fact that they are always distinguished by an asterisk.

An Unstarred Question is so named because it does not carry an asterisk mark. Answers to such questions, unlike a Starred Question, is not given orally but in a written form.

A Short Notice Question is one which is related to a matter of urgent public importance and can be asked with shorter notice than the period of notice prescribed for an ordinary question.

A question may also be addressed to a Private Member provided the subject matter of the question relates to some Bill, Resolution or other matter connected with the business of the House for which that member is responsible. Supplementary question can be asked on such a question. But no short notice question can be addressed to a Private Member.

Besides, members may raise Half-an-Hour Discussion on matters arising out of questions recently answered in the House and which needs elucidation on a matter of fact. Such discussion is limited to half-an-hour and generally held in the last half-an-hour of the sitting on three days in a week, namely Monday, Wednesday and Friday. During the Budget Session, no half-an-hour Discussion is normally held till the transaction of financial business is completed.

In the Lok Sabha, the list of Starred Questions is printed on green paper, the list of Unstarred Questions on white paper, the list of Short Notice Questions on pink paper and the list of Questions to Private Members on yellow paper so that members can distinguish these lists easily.

4. Limits on the number of Questions

A member is allowed to give not more than ten notices of questions both for oral and written answers, in all, for any day. Notices received in excess of ten from a member for a day are kept for subsequent day(s) concerning that Minister(s) during the period of that session only. Members who intend to give notices for the entire session may do so by indicating their *inter se* preference. In case, no such preferences are indicated, notices of questions in excess of ten per day are

[1]Kashyap, Subhash C.: Parliamentary Procedure- The Law, Privileges, Practice and Precedents, Vol. 1, Universal Law Publishing, New Delhi, p. 593-94.

considered for subsequent day(s) on the basis of point of time of their receipt. But not more than five questions are admitted in the name of a member for each sitting, out of which not more than one is entered in the Starred list for oral answer. Normally, not more than twenty questions are placed on the list of Questions for oral answer on any one day. The number may rise on account of postponed Questions. Questions in excess of twenty are transferred to the List of Questions for written answer. Not more than one Short Notice Question is put down for answer on any one day. Further, not more than 230 Questions are normally included in the list of Questions for written answer on any one day. However, the overall limit of 230 Questions may exceed by the number of Questions pertaining to a State or States under President's Rule, subject to the maximum limit of 25. Questions found in excess of 230/5 in the list of unstarred questions for a day are returned to the member concerned on specific request. Members, if they so desire, may table these notices of questions afresh for the subsequent date(s), if any, else such notices of questions lapse at the end of the Session. While compiling the list of Unstarred Questions, it is ensured that one question of each member is picked up in each round, till the list of Questions of a date is finalized.

After the Starred Questions have been answered, Short Notice Question, if any for that day, is taken up and disposed of in the same way as the questions for oral answers.

5. Allotment of Days for Answers to Questions

As soon as the dates of sittings of a session of Lok Sabha are fixed, days are allotted to different Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India for answering of questions relating to them. For this purpose, the Ministries/Departments are divided into five Groups, *viz.* A,B,C,D and E and fixed days of the week are allotted to these Groups of Ministries/Departments for answering questions. There is no Question Hour on a Saturday even if a sitting of the House is fixed on that day for any special reason. Similarly, no question hour is usually allotted when a session is extended by a day or a few days beyond the originally scheduled date of termination of the session unless the condition of fifteen clear days for giving notices of the questions is satisfied.

The clustering/aggregation of Ministries/Departments into groups for the purpose of answering questions is done in such a way that each group of Ministries has, as far as possible, approximately the same number of questions. It is also ensured that allotment of Ministries/ Departments does not clash with the allotment decided for answering questions in the Rajya Sabha so that the Ministers are able to be present in both Houses on the respective days allotted for answering questions.

6. Conditions of Admissibility of Questions

A question is primarily asked for the purpose of obtaining information on a matter of public importance within the special cognizance of the Minister to whom it is addressed. However, the right to ask a question is governed by certain conditions. Questions which are vague or are too general or roving in nature or give information instead of seeking it, are not admitted. Questions which are not the primary concern of the Government of India are disallowed. Questions that contain arguments, inferences or defamatory statements or otherwise refer to the character or conduct of any person, except in his/her official or public capacity, are not admitted. Questions which are covered by answer to a question given in the recent past or in regard to which information is available in accessible documents or in reference works, are also not admitted. Besides, if the subject matter of a question is pending for judgement before any court of law, or any other tribunal or body set up under the law, or is under consideration before a Parliamentary Committee, the same is not permitted to be asked. Questions making discourteous references to foreign countries with whom India has friendly relations are disallowed. Similarly, questions raising larger issues of policy are not allowed for it is not possible to enunciate policies within the compass of an answer to a question. Questions seeking information regarding matters exclusively within the jurisdiction of the Speaker are also not admitted.

7. Answers to Questions

Notices of Questions which have been admitted are segregated. Separate lists are prepared for Starred and Unstarred Questions. Admitted notices of questions are entered in the Lists of Questions for the day for oral or written answers, as the case may be, in the order or priority obtained in the ballot.

Answers to questions orally given in the House on any date are printed in the day's proceedings. In the case of Unstarred Questions, written answers thereto are not formally laid by the Ministers but are deemed to have been laid on the Table by the Ministers concerned at the end of the Question Hour. Further, if any question placed on the list of questions for oral answer on any day is not called for answer within the time available for answering questions on that day, a written reply to such questions is deemed to have been laid on the Table at the end of the Question Hour by the Minister to whom the question is addressed. In the event of the Question Hour having been dispensed with or

where questions are not taken up for oral answer owing to disorder and continuous interruptions, all Starred Questions for the day are treated as Unstarred and their answers, together with answers to the Unstarred Questions, if any, are printed in the debate of that day. When the Question Hour is dispensed with owing to cancellation of one or more sittings of the House or its adjournment without transacting any business, the answers to Questions entered in both Starred and Unstarred lists of Questions for the days are deemed to have been laid on the Table by the Minister to whom such questions are addressed at the next sitting of the House after the Question Hour and are included in the Debates of that day.

8. Notices of Questions received during 1st to 15th Lok Sabha

The total number of Notices of Questions received and admitted during the 1st to 15th Lok Sabha is indicated in the Table 1 below:—

TABLE 1

Number of Notices of Questions Received and Admitted

Lok Sabha	Notice Received	Total Questions Admitted
1st	92,134	43,725 (47.45%)
2nd	1,43,651	63,252 (44.03%)
3rd	1,62,334	42,725 (46.37%)
4th	2,64,742	63,607 (44.27%)
5th	2,52,700	58,355 (36.00%)
6th	1,37,045	93,538 (35.30%)
7th	2,69,221	1,02,959 (38.24%)
8th	2,50,098	98,390 (39.34%)
9th	75,228	21,550 (28.64%)
10th	3,30,325	90,695 (27.45%)
11th	98,863	23,681 (24.44%)
12th	72,934	15,579 (21.36%)
13th	3,13,157	77,982 (25.00%)
14th	3,11,728	66,677 (21.38%)
15th	4,43,578	79,666 (17.95%)

9. Questions during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

The details of the total questions admitted; Ministries/ Departments against which the largest number of Questions were admitted; the minimum and maximum number of Questions orally answered on a particular day during the 15th Lok Sabha are indicated in Table 2, Table 3 and Table 4, below respectively; the maximum number of Starred Questions admitted in the name of a member is also indicated in Table 4.

TABLE 2

Total Questions Admitted

Category of Questions	No. of Questions Admitted	Total No. of Questions Answered
Starred Question	6480*	6478
Unstarred Question	73183$	73156
Short Notice Question	Nil	Nil

* 2 Starred Questions deleted from the printed list, during XIV Session.
$ 27 Unstarred Questions (2, 7, 13 and 5) were deleted from the printed lists during II, X, XIV and XV Session respectively.

Out of the 6480 Starred Questions admitted, only 650 questions were orally answered and the maximum number of Starred Questions admitted in the name of a member (Shri Anand Rao V. Adsul) during the 15th Lok Sabha was 95.

TABLE 3

Ministries against which the Largest Number of Questions Admitted

Ministry	Questions Admitted
Finance	4963
Railways	4132
Health and Family Welfare	4054
Home Affairs	4027
Human Resource Development	4019

TABLE 4

Minimum and Maximum Number of Questions Orally Answered on a particular day

Minimum Questions orally answered	Maximum Questions Orally answered
1	8

10. Statements 21 to 26 show:—

(a) **Statement 21**—Session-wise disposal of notices of questions received from members;

(b) **Statement 22**—The total number of questions of which notices were received in Hindi;

(c) **Statement 23**—Session-wise disposal of Starred, Unstarred and Short Notice Questions;

(d) **Statement 24**—The maximum and the minimum number of questions orally answered on a single day;

(e) **Statement 25**—Ministry-wise disposal of questions; and

(f) **Statement 26**—Number of questions asked by the individual member during the 15th Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT 21

Disposal of Notices of Questions received from Members during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Year and Session	Starred Questions			Unstarred Questions		Short Notice Questions				Total Questions Admitted As SQ, USQ and SNQ (3), (4), (6), (8), (9), (10)
	Notices Recd.	Admitted As		Notices Recd.	Admitted As USQ	Notices Recd.	Admitted As			
		SQ	USQ				SNQ	SQ	USQ	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2009 First	NO QUESTION HOUR									
2009 Second	11905	500 (4.49%)	3634 (30.52%)	4513	1260 (27.91%)	6			1 (16.66%)	5395
2009 Third	18812	440 (2.33%)	3643 (19.36%)	7494	1205 (16.07%)	12			1 (3.33%)	5289
2010 Fourth	31728	620 (1.95%)	5068 (15.97%)	12703	1961 (15.43%)	25		1 (4.00%)	3 (12.00%)	7653
2010 Fifth	21592	460 (2.13%)	3767 (17.44%)	8361	1516 (18.13%)	4				5743
2010 Sixth	21872	480 (2.19%)	3800 (17.37%)	9360	1720 (18.37%)	10				6000
2011 Seventh	14752	300 (2.03%)	2297 (15.57%)	5936	1153 (19.42%)	2				3750
2011 Eighth	26350	500 (1.89%)	3718 (14.11%)	10115	2031 (20.00%)	8				6249
2011 Ninth	21052	400 (1.90%)	3345 (15.88%)	10288	1255 (12.19%)	8				5000
2012 Tenth	32551	656 (2.04%)	4738 (14.55%)	17183	2852 (16.59%)	9				8246
2012 Eleventh	20225	400 (1.99%)	2622 (12.96%)	11331	1978 (17.69%)	8				5000
2012 Twelfth	18003	400 (2.22%)	2674 (14.85%)	10877	1925 (17.69%)	18				4999
2013 Thirteenth	28995	600 (2.06%)	4023 (13.87%)	17567	2860 (16.29%)	17				7483
2013 Fourteenth	14445	300 (2.10%)	7080 (1439%)	8875	1370 (15.43%)	8				8750
2013-14 Fifteenth	15564	420 (2.69%)	2544 (16.34%)	11162	2139 (19.16%)	9				5103

STATEMENT 22

Total Number of Questions of which Notices were received in Hindi during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Year and Session	No. of Notices received in Hindi
2009 First	No Question Hour
2009 Second	5345
2009 Third	8505
2010 Fourth	12827
2010 Fifth	11152
2010 Sixth	11560
2011 Seventh	7599
2011 Eighth	14033
2011 Ninth	12413
2012 Tenth	17880
2012 Eleventh	11247
2012 Twelfth	10082
2013 Thirteenth	16451
2013 Fourteenth	8537
2013-14 Fifteenth	8977
Total	1,56,608

STATEMENT 23

Session-wise Disposal of Starred, Unstarred and Short Notice Questions during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Year and Session	Starred			Unstarred Questions Admitted	Short Notice Questions Admitted	Total (4+5+6)
	Orally Answered	Replies Laid on the Table	Total Admitted			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2009 First						
2009 Second	87	413	500	4894	0	5394
2009 Third	87	353	440	4848	0	5288
2010 Fourth	76	544	620	7029	0	7649
2010 Fifth	46	414	460	5283	0	5743
2010 Sixth	5	475	480	5520	0	6000

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2011 Seventh	47	253	300	3450	0	3750
2011 Eighth	51	449	500	5749	0	6249
2011 Ninth	41	359	400	4600	0	5000
2012 Tenth	82	578	660	7590	0	8250
2012 Eleventh	13	387	400	4600	0	5000
2012 Twelfth	49	351	400	4599	0	4999
2013 Thirteenth	38	562	600	6883	0	7483
2013 Fourteenth	11	*287	300	3450	0	3750
2013-14 Fifteenth	17	403	420	4683	0	5103

* 2 Questions were deleted from the printed lists.

STATEMENT 24

Maximum and minimum number of Questions orally answered on a single day during various sessions of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Year and Session	Number of Maximum Questions	Date(s)	No. of Minimum Questions	Date(s)
1	2	3	4	5
2009 First		NO QUESTION HOUR		
2009 Second	6	9, 13, and 30 July 2009	1	23 July and 6 August 2009
2009 Third	8	3 December, 2009	1	2 November and 18 December 2009
2010 Fourth	5	16 March, 19,22 and 29 April and 6 May 2010	1	3, 10 and 11 March 2010, 16, 23 and 26 April 2010, 3, 4 and 5 May 2010
2010 Fifth	5	2, 19, 25 and 26 August 2010	1	16, 17 and 20 August 2010
2010 Sixth	3	9 November, 2010	1	10 and 15 November 2010
2011 Seventh	8	16 March, 2011	1	23 February 2011, 1,3,7 and 14 March 2011
2011 Eighth	6	26 August, 2011	1	2,8,10 and 25 August 2011, 5,6, and 8 September 2011
2011 Ninth	8	20 December, 2011	1	22,23 and 30 November 2011, 8,16 and 21 December 2011
2012 Tenth	6	25 April and 10 May 2012	1	15,21,22,26,27,28,30 March 2012, 24 April 2012, 2,8,11,22 May 2012
2012 Eleventh	3	09 August, 2012	1	13,14,21,24,27,28,30,31 August 2012, 3 and 6 September 2012

1	2	3	4	5
2012 Twelfth	6	20 December, 2012	1	6 and 11 December 2012
2013 Thirteenth	5	8 March, 2013	1	4,5,12,15,20 and 21 March 2013, 23, 26,29 and 30 April 2013, 3,6,7 and 8 May 2013
2013 Fourteenth	4	27 August, 2013	1	5, 6, 22, 23 and 29 August 2013
2013-14 Fifteenth	2	7 and 21 February, 2014	1	9,10,11,17 and 18 December 2013 and 7,10,13 and 19 February 2014

STATEMENT 25

Ministry/Department-wise Disposal of Questions during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Name of Ministry/Department	No. of Questions Admitted		Total (3+4)
		SQ	USQ	
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Agriculture	284	3622	3906
2.	Atomic Energy	47	370	417
3.	Chemicals and Fertilisers	121	1387	1508
4.	Civil Aviation	205	1988	2193
5.	Coal	123	954	1077
6.	Commerce and Industry	205	1908	2113
7.	Consumer Affairs	245	1958	2203
8.	Communication and Information Technology	198	1753	1951
9.	Corporate Affairs	37	358	395
10.	Culture	48	1100	1148
11.	Defence	115	1810	1925
12.	Development of North East Region	12	53	65
13.	Earth Sciences	34	209	243
14.	Drinking Water and Sanitation	36	253	289
15.	Environment and Forests	220	2439	2659
16.	External Affairs	103	1297	1400
17.	Finance	283	4680	4963
18.	Food Processing Industries	63	403	466

1	2	3	4	5
19.	Health and Family Welfare	380	3674	4054
20.	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	32	521	553
21.	Home Affairs	259	3768	4027
22.	Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation	56	426	482
23.	Human Resource Development	316	3703	4019
24.	Information and Broadcasting	96	985	1081
25.	Labour and Employment	151	1572	1723
26.	Law and Justice	88	889	977
27.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	53	570	623
28.	Mines	47	456	503
29.	Minority Affairs	40	462	502
30.	New and Renewable Energy	85	695	780
31.	Overseas Indian Affairs	30	322	352
32.	Panchayati Raj	34	299	333
33.	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	37	1053	1090
34.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	260	2306	2566
35.	Planning	67	966	1033
36.	Prime Minister	0	15	15
37.	Parliamentary Affairs	0	15	15
38.	Power	196	1660	1856
39.	Railways	255	3877	4132
40.	Road Transport and Highways	177	2264	2441
41.	Rural Development	201	1978	2179
42.	Science and Technology	22	315	337
43.	Social Justice and Empowerment	70	940	1010
44.	Statistics and Programme Implementation	14	210	224
45.	Space	12	185	197
46.	Shipping	50	715	765
47.	Steel	41	512	553
48.	Textiles	101	765	866
49.	Tourism	65	548	613

1	2	3	4	5
50.	Tribal Affairs	50	667	717
51.	Urban Development	88	1219	1307
52.	Water Resources	133	1422	1555
53.	Women and Child Development	87	1037	1124
54.	Youth Affairs and Sports	92	870	962

STATEMENT 26

Questions admitted during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha (Member-wise analysis)

Sl.No.	Name of Members	SQ	USQ	Total
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Abdul Rahman, Shri	49	534	583
2.	Acharia, Shri Basudeb	22	197	219
3.	Adhalrao Patil, Shri Shivaji	84	997	1081
4.	Adhi Sankar, Shri	16	161	177
5.	Adhikari, Shri Suvendu	12	78	90
6.	Aditya Nath, Shri Yogi	31	316	347
7.	Adsul, Shri Anandrao	95	1170	1265
8.	Agarwal, Shri Jai Prakash	64	834	898
9.	Agrawal, Shri Rajendra	14	352	366
10.	Ahir, Shri Hansraj Gangaram	75	927	1002
11.	Ahmed, Shri Sultan	7	56	63
12.	Ajmal, Maulana Badruddin	23	297	320
13.	Ajnala, Dr. Rattan Singh	19	143	162
14.	Alagiri, Shri Sambandam Keerapalayam	62	521	583
15.	Amlabe, Shri Narayan Singh	11	122	133
16.	Anandan, Shri K. Murugesan	26	200	226
17.	Ananth Kumar, Shri	33	201	234
18.	Angadi, Shri Suresh Chanabasappa	21	311	332
19.	Annayyagari, Shri Sai Prathap	2	162	164
20.	Antony, Shri Anto	60	558	618

1	2	3	4	5
21.	Anuragi, Shri Ghanshyam	25	279	304
22.	Argal, Shri Ashok	8	172	180
23.	Aron, Shri Praveen Singh	0	12	12
24.	Awale, Shri Jayawant Gangaram	41	309	350
25.	Azad, Shri Kirti (Jha)	20	276	296
26.	Azharuddin, Shri Mohammed	0	5	5
27.	Baalu, Thiru Thalikkottai Rajuthevar	11	97	108
28.	Baba, Shri K.C. Singh	13	241	254
29.	Babar, Shri Gajanan Dharmshi	64	1111	1175
30.	Babbar, Shri Raj	1	9	10
31.	Badal, Smt. Harsimrat Kaur	24	253	277
32.	Baghel, Smt. Sarika Devendera Singh	1	22	23
33.	Bahuguna, Shri Vijay	1	17	18
34.	Bairwa, Shri Khiladi Lal	8	154	162
35.	Bais, Shri Ramesh	29	268	297
36.	Baite, Shri Thangso	3	6	9
37.	Baitha, Shri Kameshwar	17	253	270
38.	Bajwa, Sardar Partap Singh	28	331	359
39.	Baliram, Dr.	25	330	355
40.	Balmiki, Shri Kamlesh	0	4	4
41.	Balram, Shri Porika Naik	14	415	429
42.	Banerjee, Shri Ambica	9	145	154
43.	Bansal, Shri Pawan Kumar	2	24	26
44.	Barq, Shri Shafiqur Rahman	9	88	97
45.	Basavaraj, Shri Gangasandra Siddappa	6	154	160
46.	Basheer, Shri E. T. Mohammed	11	147	158
47.	Baske, Dr. Pulin Bihari	12	72	84
48.	Bauri, Smt. Susmita	10	121	131
49.	Bavaliya, Shri Kunwarjibhai Mohanbhai	20	300	320
50.	Beg, Dr. Mehboob	3	24	27
51.	Bhadana, Shri Avtar Singh	18	213	231

1	2	3	4	5
52.	Bhagat, Shri Sudarshan	32	370	402
53.	Bhagora, Shri Tarachand	19	333	352
54.	Bhoi, Shri Sanjay	38	386	424
55.	Bhonsle, Shri Udayanraje Pratapsingh	5	36	41
56.	Bhujbal, Shri Sameer Magan	30	317	347
57.	Biju, Shri Parayamparanbil Kuttappan	33	419	452
58.	Bishnoi, Shri Kuldeep	1	179	180
59.	Botcha, Dr.(Smt.) Jhanshi Lakshmi	31	346	377
60.	Bwiswmuthiary, Shri Sansuma Khunggur	10	90	100
61.	Chacko, Shri P.C.	5	23	28
62.	Chakravarty, Smt. Bijoya	6	47	53
63.	Chang, Shri Changshen Mongkosungkum	3	30	33
64.	Chaudhary, Shri Arvind Kumar	16	174	190
65.	Chaudhary, Shri Haribhai Parthibhai	3	30	33
66.	Chaudhary, Shri Jayant	13	167	180
67.	Chauhan, Shri Dara Singh	10	82	92
68.	Chauhan, Dr. Mahendra Sinh Pruthvisinh	51	734	785
69.	Chauhan, Shri Prabhatsinh Pratapsinh	14	132	146
70.	Chauhan, Smt. Rajkumari	0	49	49
71.	Chauhan, Shri Sanjay Singh	24	252	276
72.	Chavan, Shri Harischandra Deoram	47	745	792
73.	Chitthan, Shri N.S.V.	55	431	486
74.	Choudhury, Shri Abu Hasem Khan	1	7	8
75.	Choudhary, Shri Bhudeo	39	410	449
76.	Choudhary, Shri Harish	49	599	648
77.	Choudhary, Shri Nikhil Kumar	21	162	183
78.	Choudhry, Smt. Shruti	8	656	664
79.	Chowdhury, Shri Adhir Ranjan	33	275	308
80.	Chowdhury, Shri Bansa Gopal	5	38	43
81.	Danve, Shri Raosaheb Patil	25	266	291
82.	Das, Shri Bhakta Charan	27	225	252

1	2	3	4	5
83.	Das, Shri Ram Sundar	35	373	408
84.	Das, Shri Khagen	25	285	310
85.	Dasgupta, Shri Gurudas	57	449	506
86.	Dasmunsi, Smt. Deepa	22	306	328
87.	Dastidar, Smt. Kakoli Ghosh	3	10	13
88.	De (nag), Dr. (Smt.) Ratna	18	156	174
89.	Deka, Shri Ramen	21	157	178
90.	Deora, Shri Milind Murli	0	274	274
91.	Deshmukh, Shri K.D.	21	170	191
92.	Devi, Smt. Ashwamedh	11	134	145
93.	Dhanapalan, Shri K.P.	42	451	493
94.	Dhotre, Shri Sanjay Shamrao	35	360	395
95.	Dhruvanarayana, Shri Rangaswamy	36	630	666
96.	Dhurve, Smt. Jyoti	26	344	370
97.	Dias, Dr. Charles	16	144	160
98.	Dikshit, Shri Sandeep	0	2	2
99.	Dome, Dr. Ram Chandra	6	74	80
100.	Dubey, Shri Nishikant	74	742	816
101.	Dudhgaonkar, Shri Ganeshrao Nagorao	44	375	419
102.	Dutt, Smt. Priya Sunil	10	151	161
103.	Elangovan, Shri T.K.S.	1	14	15
104.	Ering, Shri Ninong	4	22	26
105.	Gaddigoudar, Shri Parvatagouda	28	385	413
106.	Gadhvi, Shri Mukesh Bhairavadanji	8	343	351
107.	Gaikwad, Shri Eknath Mahadeo	75	946	1021
108.	Gandhi, Shri Dilipkumar Mansukhlal	11	267	278
109.	Gandhi, Smt. Maneka	38	298	336
110.	Gandhi, Shri Varun Feroze	72	569	641
111.	Ganeshamurthi, Shri A.	26	392	418
112.	Gavit, Shri Manikrao Hodliya	16	135	151
113.	Geete, Shri Anant Gangaram	1	9	10

1	2	3	4	5
114.	Ghatowar, Shri Paban Singh	1	17	18
115.	Ghubaya, Shri Sher Singh	4	47	51
116.	Gohain, Shri Rajen	4	83	87
117.	Gowda, Shri Chandre D.B.	46	704	750
118.	Gowda, Shri D.V. Sadananda	5	67	72
119.	Guddu, Shri Prem Chand	12	245	257
120.	Gulshan, Smt. Paramjit Kaur	13	116	129
121.	Gutha, Shri Sukender Reddy	8	94	102
122.	Haldar, Dr. Sucharu Ranjan	4	25	29
123.	Handique, Shri Bijoy Krishna	0	1	1
124.	Haque, Prof. Sk. Saidul	29	228	257
125.	Harsha Kumar, Shri G.V.	0	34	34
126.	Hasan, Begum Tabassum	4	27	31
127.	Hassan, Dr. Monazir	5	18	23
128.	Hazari, Shri Maheshwar	24	454	478
129.	Hegde, Shri Anant Kumar Dattatreya	70	504	574
130.	Hegde, Shri Jayaprakash Korqi	7	60	67
131.	Helen, Smt. Davidson J.	22	171	193
132.	Hooda, Shri Deepender Singh	10	73	83
133.	Hussain, Shri Syed Shahnawaz	60	651	711
134.	Islam, Shri Sk. Nurul	0	4	4
135.	Jadhav, Shri Baliram Sukur	32	280	312
136.	Jadhav, Shri Prataprao Ganpatrao	41	459	500
137.	Jagannath, Dr. M.	23	255	278
138.	Jahan, Smt. Kaisar	1	32	33
139.	Jaiswal, Dr. Sanjay	21	189	210
140.	Jaiswal, Shri Gorakh Prasad	50	670	720
141.	Jakhar, Shri Badri Ram	2	511	513
142.	Jardosh, Smt. Darshana Vikram	25	313	338
143.	Jat, Smt. Poonam Veljibhai	7	95	102
144.	Jawale, Shri Haribhau Madhav	25	379	404

1	2	3	4	5
145.	Jena, Shri Mohan	6	43	49
146.	Jeyadurai, Shri S.R.	45	635	680
147.	Jigajinagi, Shri Ramesh Chandappa	0	20	20
148.	Jindal, Shri Naveen	30	486	516
149.	Joshi, Shri Kailash	4	69	73
150.	Joshi, Dr. Mahesh	30	321	351
151.	Joshi, Dr. Murli Manohar	78	499	577
152.	Joshi, Shri Pralhad Venkatesh	53	584	637
153.	Ju Deo, Shri Dilip Singh	10	258	268
154.	Kachhadia, Shri Naranbhai	56	712	768
155.	Kalmadi, Shri Suresh	23	183	206
156.	Karunakaran, Shri P.	49	545	594
157.	Karwariya, Shri Kapil Muni	22	368	390
158.	Kashyap, Shri Dinesh	1	12	13
159.	Kashyap, Shri Virender	19	381	400
160.	Kaswan, Shri Ram Singh	16	311	327
161.	Kataria, Shri Lal Chand	20	218	238
162.	Kateel, Shri Nalin Kumar	11	271	282
163.	Katoch, Smt. Chandresh Kumari	2	40	42
164.	Katti, Shri Ramesh Viswanath	8	129	137
165.	Kaypee, Shri Mohinder Singh	0	4	4
166.	Khaire, Shri Chandrakant Bhaurao	53	672	725
167.	Khan, Shri Hassan	7	47	54
168.	Khatri, Dr. Nirmal	4	20	24
169.	Killi, Dr. (Smt.) Kruparani	30	308	338
170.	Kishor, Shri Kamal	18	232	250
171.	Kodikkunnil, Shri Suresh	50	625	675
172.	Kora, Shri Madhu	3	68	71
173.	Kowase, Shri Marotrao Sainuji	39	431	470
174.	Krishnasswamy, Shri M.	18	224	242
175.	Kumar, Dr. (Shri) Ajay	17	175	192

1	2	3	4	5
176.	Kumar, Shri Kaushalendra	30	427	457
177.	Kumar, Shri P.	36	559	595
178.	Kumar, Shri Shailendra	23	146	169
179.	Kumar, Shri Vishwa Mohan	31	380	411
180.	Kurup, Shri N. Peethambara	6	183	189
181.	Lagadapati, Shri Rajagopal	44	492	536
182.	Laguri, Shri Yashbant Narayan Singh	5	682	687
183.	Lal, Shri Pakauri	9	52	61
184.	Libra, Shri Sukhdev Singh	5	93	98
185.	Lingam, Shri P.	32	302	334
186.	Lodhi, Shri Shivraj Singh	5	88	93
187.	Maadam, Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai	52	879	931
188.	Mahajan, Smt. Sumitra	58	509	567
189.	Mahant, Dr. Charan Das	11	121	132
190.	Maharaj, Shri Satpal	12	126	138
191.	Mahato, Shri Baidyanath Prasad	24	279	303
192.	Mahato, Shri Narahari	45	603	648
193.	Mahtab, Shri Bhartruhari	39	356	395
194.	Majhi, Shri Pradeep	74	1028	1102
195.	Majumdar, Shri Prasanta Kumar	37	433	470
196.	Malik, Shri Jitender Singh	9	56	65
197.	Malik, Shri Sakti Mohan	2	27	29
198.	Mandal, Dr. Tarun	4	18	22
199.	Mandal, Shri Mangani Lal	32	246	278
200.	Mandlik, Shri Sadashivrao Dadoba	5	68	73
201.	Mani, Shri Jose K.	49	525	574
202.	Manian, Shri O.S.	0	60	60
203.	Manjhi, Shri Hari	11	117	128
204.	Masram, Shri Basori Singh	0	10	10
205.	Mcleod, Smt. Ingrid	14	116	130
206.	Meena, Dr. Kirodi Lal	52	549	601

1	2	3	4	5
207.	Meena, Shri Raghuvir Singh	16	109	125
208.	Meghe, Shri Datta Raghobaji	29	278	307
209.	Meghwal, Shri Arjun Ram	54	695	749
210.	Meghwal, Shri Bharat Ram	8	192	200
211.	Meinya, Dr. Thokchom	18	186	204
212.	Mirdha, Dr. (Smt.) Jyoti	9	52	61
213.	Mishra, Shri Govind Prasad	16	162	178
214.	Mishra, Shri Mahabal	27	291	318
215.	Misra, Shri Pinaki	1	18	19
216.	Mithilesh Kumar, Shri	11	143	154
217.	Mitra, Shri Somendra Nath	17	261	278
218.	Mohammad, Maulana Asrarul Haque	6	51	57
219.	Mohan, Shri Chinta	3	15	18
220.	Mohan, Shri P.C.	15	237	252
221.	Mohapatra, Shri Sidhant	1	3	4
222.	Mukherjee, Shri Abhijit	2	20	22
223.	Munda, Shri Arjun	12	141	153
224.	Munde, Shri Gopinath Pandurang	37	429	466
225.	Muttemwar, Shri Vilas Baburao	46	643	689
226.	Nagar, Shri Surendra Singh	27	475	502
227.	Nagpal, Shri Devendra	1	42	43
228.	Nahata, Smt. P. Jaya Prada	33	363	396
229.	Naik, Dr. Sanjeev Ganesh	68	688	756
230.	Naik, Shri Shripad Yesso	11	129	140
231.	Namdhari, Shri Inder Singh	14	167	181
232.	Naqvi, Shri Zafar Ali	6	57	63
233.	Narah, Smt. Ranee	2	5	7
234.	Naskar, Shri Gobinda Chandra	0	1	1
235.	Natarajan, Km. Meenakshi	10	125	135
236.	Natarajan, Shri P.R.	19	413	432
237.	Nimmala, Shri Kristappa	5	36	41

1	2	3	4	5
238.	Nirupam, Shri Sanjay	34	299	333
239.	Nishad (Capt.) Jai Narain Prasad	9	106	115
240.	Noor, Smt. Mausam	1	59	60
241.	Ola, Shri Sis Ram	0	10	10
242.	Owaisi, Shri Asaduddin	86	1043	1129
243.	Pakkirappa, Shri S.	43	754	797
244.	Pal, Shri Jagdambika	20	209	229
245.	Pala, Shri Vincent H.	2	26	28
246.	Panda, Shri Baijayant Jay	99	780	879
247.	Panda, Shri Prabodh	57	530	587
248.	Pandey, Shri Gorakhnath	14	127	141
249.	Pandey, Shri Ravindra Kumar	44	555	599
250.	Pandey, Shri Rakesh	0	20	20
251.	Pandey, Km. Saroj	29	409	438
252.	Pandey, Dr. Vinay Kumar	6	191	197
253.	Pangi, Shri Jayaram	9	218	227
254.	Paranjpe, Shri Anand Prakash	60	759	819
255.	Paswan, Shri Kamlesh	12	104	116
256.	Patasani, Dr. (Prof.) Prasanna Kumar	12	127	139
257.	Patel, Shri Bal Kumar	26	254	280
258.	Patel, Shri Deoraj Singh	9	103	112
259.	Patel, Shri Devji Mansingram	20	400	420
260.	Patel, Smt. Jayshreeben	26	488	514
261.	Patel, Shri Kishnbhai Vestabhai	43	746	789
262.	Patel, Shri Lalubhai Babubhai	5	73	78
263.	Patel, Shri Natubhai Gomanbhai	0	33	33
264.	Patel, Shri R.K. Singh	19	179	198
265.	Patel, Shri Somabhai Gandalal Koli	0	10	10
266.	Pathak, Shri Harin	49	325	374
267.	Patil, Shri A.T. (Nana)	46	595	641
268.	Patil, Shri B. B.	55	864	919

1	2	3	4	5
269.	Patil, Shri Bhaskarrao Bapurao	2	40	42
270.	Patil, Smt. Bhavana Gawali	37	323	360
271.	Patil, Shri C.R.	29	439	468
272.	Patil, Dr. Padmasinha Bajirao	24	213	237
273.	Patil, Shri Sanjay Dina	41	427	468
274.	Patle, Smt. Kamla Devi	8	409	417
275.	Perumal, Shri Viswanathan	43	615	658
276.	Potai, Shri Sohan	0	5	5
277.	Prabhakar, Shri Ponnam	33	896	929
278.	Pradhan, Shri Amarnath	14	173	187
279.	Pradhan, Shri Nityananda	69	613	682
280.	Pratap Narayanrao, Shri Sonawane	16	277	293
281.	Premdas, Shri	15	139	154
282.	Punia, Shri P.L.	39	617	656
283.	Purkayastha, Shri Kabindra	13	117	130
284.	Putul kumari, Smt.	10	107	117
285.	Radadiya, Shri Vitthalbhai Hansrajbhai	16	155	171
286.	Raghavan, Shri M.K.	43	415	458
287.	Rai, Shri Prem Das	17	164	181
288.	Rajbhar, Shri Ramashanker	19	208	227
289.	Rajendran, Shri C.	36	375	411
290.	Rajesh, Shri M.B.	43	470	513
291.	Rajukhedi, Shri Gajendra Singh	14	111	125
292.	Ram Shankar, Prof. (Dr.)	19	216	235
293.	Ram, Shri Purnmasi	46	610	656
294.	Rama Devi, Smt.	50	576	626
295.	Ramasubbu, Shri S.S.	46	1015	1061
296.	Ramkishun, Shri	38	452	490
297.	Rana, Shri Jagdish Singh	13	223	236
298.	Rana, Shri Kadir	2	108	110
299.	Rana, Shri Rajendrasinh (Raju Rana)	4	28	32
300.	Rane, Dr. Nilesh Narayan	12	594	606

1	2	3	4	5
301.	Rao, Dr. Kavuri Samba Siva	14	137	151
302.	Rao, Shri Konakalla Narayana	5	25	30
303.	Rao, Shri Inderjit Singh	1	9	10
304.	Rao, Shri Nama Nageswara	48	440	488
305.	Rao, Shri Rayapati Sambasiva	35	657	692
306.	Rashid, Shri J.M. Aaron	26	349	375
307.	Rathod, Shri Ramesh	11	280	291
308.	Rathwa, Shri Ramsinh Patalyabhai	42	721	763
309.	Rawat, Shri Ashok Kumar	66	753	819
310.	Ray, Shri Bishnu Pada	5	216	221
311.	Ray, Shri Rudra Madhab	56	778	834
312.	Reddy, Shri Anantha Venkata Rami	28	524	552
313.	Reddy, Shri Komatireddy Raj Gopal	9	150	159
314.	Reddy, Shri Kotla Jaya Surya Prakash	20	480	500
315.	Reddy, Shri Magunta Sreenivasulu	52	758	810
316.	Reddy, Shri Mekapati Rajamohan	19	222	241
317.	Reddy, Shri Modugula Venugopala	38	448	486
318.	Reddy, Shri S.P.Y.	0	2	2
319.	Roy, Dr. Arjun	35	313	348
320.	Roy, Shri Mahendra Kumar	20	148	168
321.	Roy, Shri Nripendra Nath	48	588	636
322.	Roy, Prof. Saugata	14	181	195
323.	Ruala, Shri C.L.	2	10	12
324.	Sachan, Shri Rakesh	3	31	34
325.	Saha, Dr. Anup Kumar	12	89	101
326.	Sahu, Shri Chandu Lal	5	63	68
327.	Sai, Shri Vishnu Deo	2	12	14
328.	Sampath, Shri Anirudhan	36	364	400
329.	Sardinha, Shri Francisco	22	266	288
330.	Saroj, Smt. Sushila	27	518	545
331.	Saroj, Shri Tufani	27	314	341
332.	Sathyanarayana, Shri Sarvey	7	260	267

1	2	3	4	5
333.	Satpathy, Shri Tathagata	37	238	275
334.	Sayeed, Shri Hamdullah	12	617	629
335.	Scindia, Smt. Yashodhara Raje	12	233	245
336.	Semmalai, Shri S.	55	503	558
337.	Sethi, Shri Arjun Charan	20	179	199
338.	Shah, Smt. Mala Rajya Laxmi	0	31	31
339.	Shanavas, Shri M.I.	30	275	305
340.	Shantha, Smt. J.	23	493	516
341.	Shariq, Shri Shariefuddin	3	55	58
342.	Sharma, Dr. Arvind Kumar	2	90	92
343.	Sharma, Shri Jagdish	60	379	439
344.	Sharma, Shri Madan Lal	6	73	79
345.	Shekhar, Shri Neeraj	74	744	818
346.	Shekhawat, Shri Gopal Singh	6	109	115
347.	Shetkar, Shri Suresh Kumar	28	811	839
348.	Shetti, Shri Raju *Alias* Devappa Anna	23	302	325
349.	Shivakumar, Shri K. *Alias* J.K. Ritheesh	20	141	161
350.	Shivarama Gouda, Shri	16	273	289
351.	Shukla, Shri Balkrishna Khanderao	21	233	254
352.	Siddeshwara, Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa	48	840	888
353.	Sidhu, Shri Navjot Singh	9	90	99
354.	Singh, Dr. Bhola	39	359	398
355.	Singh, Shri Bhoopendra	35	589	624
356.	Singh, Shri Brijbhushan Sharan	26	157	183
357.	Singh, Shri Chaudhary Lal	28	234	262
358.	Singh, Shri Dhananjay	21	220	241
359.	Singh, Shri Dushyant	27	324	351
360.	Singh, Shri Ganesh	48	572	620
361.	Singh, Shri Ijyaraj	38	481	519
362.	Singh, Shri Jagadanand	49	416	465
363.	Singh, Kunwar Rewati Raman	18	198	216
364.	Singh, Shri Mahabali	12	155	167

1	2	3	4	5
365.	Singh, Smt. Meena	40	366	406
366.	Singh, Shri Murari Lal	2	89	91
367.	Singh, Shri N.Dharam	6	44	50
368.	Singh, Shri Pashupati Nath	26	276	302
369.	Singh, Shri Prabhu Nath	2	32	34
370.	Singh, Shri Pradeep Kumar	12	154	166
371.	Singh, Smt. Pratibha	3	8	11
372.	Singh, Shri Radha Mohan	48	509	557
373.	Singh, Shri Radhe Mohan	13	153	166
374.	Singh, Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad	58	451	509
375.	Singh, Smt. Rajesh Nandini	0	1	1
376.	Singh, Shri Rajiv Ranjan (Lalan)	64	515	579
377.	Singh, Rajkumari Ratna	63	581	644
378.	Singh, Shri Rajnath	7	26	33
379.	Singh, Shri Rakesh	33	400	433
380.	Singh, Shri Ratan	24	263	287
381.	Singh, Shri Ravneet	31	422	453
382.	Singh, Dr. Sanjay	51	614	665
383.	Singh, Shri Sushil Kumar	27	335	362
384.	Singh, Shri Uday	60	526	586
385.	Singh, Shri Uday Pratap	19	168	187
386.	Singh, Shri Umashankar	11	100	111
387.	Singh, Shri Vijay Bahadur	18	182	200
388.	Singh, Shri Yashvir	57	591	648
389.	Singh Deo, Shri Kalikesh Narayan	32	341	373
390.	Singla, Shri Vijay Inder	1	30	31
391.	Sinha, Shri Shatrughan Prasad	9	57	66
392.	Sinha, Shri Yashwant	9	75	84
393.	Siricilla, Shri Rajaiah	25	774	799
394.	Siva Prasad, Dr. Naramalli	1	15	16
395.	Sivasami, Shri C.	49	651	700
396.	Solanki, Dr. Kirit Premjibhai	25	433	458

1	2	3	4	5
397.	Solanki, Shri Makhan Singh	8	118	126
398.	Sudhakaran, Shri Kumbakudi	17	275	292
399.	Sugavanam, Shri E.G.	12	894	906
400.	Sugumar, Shri K.	50	600	650
401.	Suklabaidya Shri Lalit Mohan	2	20	22
402.	Sule, Smt. Supriya Sadanand	67	671	738
403.	Suresh, Shri D.K.	0	12	12
404.	Sushant, Dr. Rajan	2	52	54
405.	Swamy, Shri Janardhana	0	5	5
406.	Swamy, Shri N. Chaluvaraya	49	786	835
407.	Swaraj, Smt. Sushma	4	39	43
408.	Tagore, Shri Manicka	37	432	469
409.	Takam, Shri Sanjoy	9	67	76
410.	Tamta, Shri Pradeep	0	2	2
411.	Tandon, Smt. Annu	21	286	307
412.	Tandon, Shri Lalji	20	130	150
413.	Tanwar, Shri Ashok	15	208	223
414.	Tarai, Shri Bibhu Prasad	25	200	225
415.	Taviad, Dr. Prabha Kishor	1	3	4
416.	Taware, Shri Suresh Kashinath	14	169	183
417.	Tewari, Shri Manish	46	264	310
418.	Thakor, Shri Jagdish	22	284	306
419.	Thakur, Shri Anurag Singh	21	590	611
420.	Thamaraiselvan, Shri R.	52	688	740
421.	Thambidurai, Dr. Munisamy	39	331	370
422.	Tharoor, Dr. Shashi	14	74	88
423.	Thol, Shri Thirumaa Valavan	4	19	23
424.	Thomas, Shri P.T.	48	454	502
425.	Tirkey, Shri Manohar	36	656	692
426.	Tiwari, Shri Bhisma Shanker *Alias* Kushal	46	490	536
427.	Tomar, Shri Narendra Singh	9	206	215
428.	Toppo, Shri Joseph	20	127	147

1	2	3	4	5
429.	Tudu, Shri Laxman	22	292	314
430.	Udasi, Shri Shivkumar Chanabasappa	17	232	249
431.	Upadhyay, Smt. Seema	16	381	397
432.	Vardhan, Shri Harsh	41	407	448
433.	Vasava, Shri Mansukh Bhai D.	54	750	804
434.	Venugopal, Shri K.C.	20	215	235
435.	Venugopal, Dr. Ponnusamy	25	450	475
436.	Venugopal, Thiru Danapal	0	5	5
437.	Verma, Shri Sajjan Singh	32	402	434
438.	Verma, Smt. Usha	23	382	405
439.	Vijayan, Shri A.K.S.	35	405	440
440.	Virendra Kumar, Dr.	26	252	278
441.	Vishwanath, Shri Adagooru Huchegowda	22	321	343
442.	Vivekanand, Dr. Gaddam	7	49	56
443.	Vundavalli, Shri Aruna Kumar	4	29	33
444.	Vyas, Dr. (Km.) Girija	2	14	16
445.	Wakchaure, Shri Bhausaheb	62	716	778
446.	Wankhede, Shri Subhash Bapurao	32	296	328
447.	Yadav, Shri Arun Subhash Chandra	2	23	25
448.	Yadav, Shri Dharmendra	61	915	976
449.	Yadav, Shri Dinesh Chandra	44	394	438
450.	Yadav, Shri Hukumdev Narayan	32	271	303
451.	Yadav, Shri M. Anjan Kumar	25	618	643
452.	Yadav, Shri Madhusudan	6	128	134
453.	Yadav, Shri Om Prakash	21	298	319
454.	Yadav, Prof. (Dr.) Ranjan Prasad	40	444	484
455.	Yadav, Shri Sharad	3	39	42
456.	Yaskhi, Shri Madhu Goud	43	583	626
457.	Yeddyurappa, Shri Raghavendra	2	126	128

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LEGISLATIVE AND FINANCIAL BUSINESS

Legislation

Under the Constitution, India is a Union of States and all legislative powers are divided between the Centre and the States. Briefly, the scheme of distribution of legislative powers is that the Parliament has exclusive power to make laws with respect to matters enumerated in List I of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, called the Union List. The State Legislatures have exclusive power to make laws with respect to matters enumerated in List II, *i.e.* the State List. However, in certain contingencies, *e.g.* when the Rajya Sabha passes a Resolution under Article 249 empowering the Parliament to make law on a State subject or the Legislatures of two or more States ask Parliament to do so by way of their Resolutions or a State is under President's Rule and all powers of the State Legislature are vested in the Parliament, it can make laws on a subject enumerated in the State List. List III, called the Concurrent List, comprises subjects on which both Parliament and the Legislatures of the States have concurrent power. However, in the event of a repugnancy between the Central and the State law so made, the Central law would prevail. Since residuary powers vest in Parliament, it can also make laws in areas not specifically enumerated in any of the three Lists included in the Seventh Schedule.

Subject to the provisions of the Constitution, Parliament can make laws as also amend the Constitution as and when such a need is felt. The legislative process starts with the introduction of a Bill in either House of Parliament. A Bill is a draft of a legislative proposal, put in proper form which, when passed by both the Houses of Parliament and assented to by the President, becomes an Act. A Bill can be introduced either by a Minister or by a Private Member. In the former case, it is known as a Government Bill and in the latter case it is known as a Private Member's Bill. A Money Bill [*viz*. Bill which contains only provisions for the imposition, abolition, alteration or regulation of taxes; for appropriation of moneys out of the Consolidated Fund; and other matters mentioned in clause (1) of the Article 110 of the Constitution] can be introduced in the Lok Sabha only.

When a Bill has been introduced, the member in-charge of the Bill may move any of the following motions—

(i) that it be taken into consideration; or

(ii) that it be referred to a Select Committee of the House; or

(iii) that it be referred to a Joint Committee of the Houses with the concurrence of the Council; or

(iv) that it be circulated for the purpose of eliciting opinion thereon.

As per present practice, all Bills except Bills seeking to replace Ordinances, and Bills of trivial or technical nature are normally referred to the concerned, Departmentally Related Standing Committees for examination and Report.

At times depending upon the nature and complexity of the Bills they are referred to the Select Committees for examination and for making reports thereon. Bills may likewise be referred, with the concurrence of the Rajya Sabha, to Joint Committees which are composed of members of both the Houses. Such Select or Joint Committees are *ad hoc* Committees as are appointed for consideration of particular Bills referred to them.

After a report of the Standing Committee has been presented, the member-in-charge of the Bill may move that the Bill be taken into consideration. In case of a Bill reported by the Select or Joint Committee, the

member-in-charge shall move that the Bill, as reported by the Select or Joint Committee, may be taken into consideration. After, the motion that the Bill, or the Bill as reported by the Select or Joint Committee, be taken into consideration is voted upon and carried, the Bill is taken up for consideration clause-by-clause. At this stage, amendments are allowed. When the Bill has been considered clause by clause and all its clauses, schedules and other parts have been considered and adopted, with or without amendments, the member-in-charge can move that the Bill or the Bill, as amended, as the case may be, be passed. The discussion at this stage is that the Bill as it has emerged may be passed or rejected.

The practice of moving the motion that the Bill be circulated for the purpose of eliciting opinion thereon is not in vogue. However, if the motion is adopted the Bill is circulated to the State Governments who are asked to publish it in their Gazettes and to forward duplicates of their opinion and the opinions of the members of State Legislatures and such other public bodies, selected officers and other persons as the State Government may think fit. After editing and consolidation, these opinions are printed as 'Papers to the Bill' and are laid on the Table by the member-in-charge of the Bill. After laying 'Papers to the Bill', the member-in-charge if wishes to proceed with the Bill shall move that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of the House or a Joint Committee of the Houses unless the Speaker allows a motion to be made that the Bill be taken into consideration.

After a Bill is passed by one House, it is sent to the other House for concurrence. In regard to the Money Bills, the Lok Sabha has got the exclusive power to legislate and the Rajya Sabha can only recommend amendments therein. It must return such a Bill with or without recommendations to the Lok Sabha within fourteen days from the date of its receipt. It is open to the Lok Sabha to accept or reject any or all of the recommendations of the Rajya Sabha with regard to a Money Bill. If the Lok Sabha accepts any of the recommendations of the Rajya Sabha, the Money Bill is deemed to have been passed by both the Houses with amendments recommended by the Rajya Sabha and accepted by the Lok Sabha. But, if the Lok Sabha does not accept any of the recommendations of the Rajya Sabha, the Money Bill is deemed to have been passed by both the Houses in the form in which it was passed by the Lok Sabha without any of the amendments recommended by the Rajya Sabha. If a Money Bill passed by the Lok Sabha and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations is not returned to the Lok Sabha within the said period of fourteen days, it is deemed to have been passed by both the Houses at the expiration of the said period in the form in which it was passed by the Lok Sabha.

If a Bill, other than a Money Bill, passed by one House is rejected by the other House or the Houses have finally disagreed as to the amendments to be made in the Bill or more than six months elapse from the date of receipt of the Bill by the other House without the Bill being passed by it, the President may call a joint sitting of the two Houses to resolve the deadlock. If, at the joint sitting of the Houses, the Bill is passed by a majority of the total number of members of both the Houses present and voting, with amendment, if any, accepted by them, the Bill is deemed to have been passed by both the Houses.

When a Bill is passed by both the Houses, it is sent for the President's assent. The Bill becomes an Act only after President's assent.

The President can give assent or withhold assent to a Bill. The President can also return the Bill (except a Money Bill) with recommendations to the Houses for reconsideration, and if the Houses pass the Bill again with or without amendments, the Bill has to be assented to by the President. However, in the case of a Bill to amend the Constitution, after it is passed by the Houses with the requisite special majority and, where necessary, ratified by the State Legislatures, the President has to accord assent thereto.

Legislation by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

A. Bills

During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 179 Government Bills were passed by the Houses of Parliament and assented to by the President. Of these, three Bills were to amend the Constitution which included the Constitution (Ninety-sixth Amendment) Act, 2011, the Constitution (Ninety-seventh Amendment) Act, 2011 and the Constitution (Ninety-eighth Amendment) Act, 2012.

In the arena of Private Members' Bills as many as 372 such Bills were introduced but none was passed.

B. Promulgation of Ordinances

Article 123 of the Constitution provides that if at any time, except when both the Houses of Parliament are in session, the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action, the President may promulgate such Ordinances as the circumstances appear to require. Such an Ordinance has the same force and effect as an Act of Parliament. An Ordinance has, however, to be laid before both the Houses of Parliament and shall cease to operate at the expiration of six weeks from the assembly of Parliament unless it is replaced by a parliamentary legislation. Alternatively, it could be withdrawn by the Government or allowed to lapse at the expiration of the period of six weeks from the date of reassembly of Parliament following promulgation of the Ordinance.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 24 Ordinances were promulgated by the President, of which 11 were transformed into Acts by necessary legislation.

Statement 27 indicates the volume of legislation passed, year-wise, during the years 1935 to 2014. **Statements 28 to 31** show the Bills passed, Bills referred to Joint/Select/Standing Committees, Ordinances promulgated by the President during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, and the Ordinances which were replaced by Acts.

Financial Business during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

In respect of every financial year, the President causes to be laid before both the Houses of Parliament an annual financial statement or the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Government of India. The annual financial statement, other wise known as the 'Budget', is presented in two parts, *viz.,* the Railway Budget and the General Budget.

While the Railway Budget is presented to the Lok Sabha by the Minister of Railways sometime in the third week of February every year, the General Budget is presented by the Minister of Finance generally on the last working day of February. The Budget speech of the Minister generally consists of two parts : part A contains 'a general economic survey' of the country and part B 'the taxation proposals for the ensuing financial year'. Immediately after the presentation of the Budget, the following three statements under the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003 are also laid on the Table of Lok Sabha:

(i) The Medium Term Fiscal Policy Statement;

(ii) The Fiscal Policy Strategy Statement; and

(iii) The Macro Economic Framework Statement.

Thereafter, the Minister of Finance introduces in the Lok Sabha the Finance Bill. After presentation of Budget and introduction of the Finance Bill, the House rises for the day. A copy each of the General Budget and the Railway Budget is laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on the day of their presentation in the Lok Sabha.

As no money can be withdrawn from the Consolidated Fund of India except under the relevant appropriations made by law, a Bill called 'Appropriation Bill' is also introduced to provide for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of India of all moneys required to meet the grants made by the House and the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of India.

A week or ten days after the presentation of the respective Budgets, they come up for general discussion. Thereafter, the Demands for Grants of the Ministries/Departments are examined by the Departmentally Related Standing Committees concerned. After the presentation of the Reports by the DRSCs, the Demands for Grants of individual Ministries/Departments are taken up for discussion and voting.

A certain number of days or hours are allotted for the discussion and voting of all the Demands. It often happens, however, that not all the Demands are discussed during or within the allotted number of days. On the last of the allotted day, therefore, all the outstanding Demands by that time are put by the Speaker in the form of question necessary to dispose them of. This has come to be called the 'guillotine'. The whole exercise relating to the Budget culminates in the passing of the Appropriation and the Finance Bills. **Statement 32** shows the details about the Financial Business transacted during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT 27

Volume of Legislation Passed

Year	Number of Bills passed and assented to by the President	Year	Number of Bills passed and assented to by the President
1935	14	1975	57
1936	24	1976	118
1937	29	1977	48
1938	26	1978	50
1939	42	1979	32
1940	42	1980	72
1941	27	1981	62
1942	26	1982	73
1943	30	1983	49
1944	18	1984	73
1945	11	1985	92
1946	38	1986	71
1947	58	1987	61
1948	62	1988	71
1949	77	1989	38
1950	80	1990	30
1951	72	1991	63
1952	82	1992	44
1953	58	1993	75
1954	54	1994	61
1955	60	1995	45
1956	106	1996	36
1957	68	1997	35
1958	59	1998	29
1959	63	1999	50
1960	67	2000	60
1961	63	2001	57
1962	68	2002	79
1963	58	2003	58
1964	56	2004	33
1965	51	2005	56
1966	57	2006	63
1967	38	2007	52
1968	67	2008	35
1969	58	2009	49
1970	53	2010	47
1971	87	2011	22
1972	82	2012	41
1973	70	2013	30
1974	68	2014	17

STATEMENT 28

Analytical Chart regarding Bills Passed by the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

(A) Government Bills

		Sessions														
		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th I & II parts
1.	No. of sittings during which Bills were considered	Nil	8	13	12	15	4	9	10	11	18	6	8	8	13	7
2.	No. of Bills introduced	Nil	16	21	27	18	10	11	11	27	21	4	7	18	8	14
3.	No. of Bills considered	Nil	9	19	21	23	7	11	13	20	22	7	8	14	14	14
4.	No. of Bills referred to Joint Committee	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
5.	No. of Bills referred to Standing Committee(s)	Nil	Nil	6	18	15	8	8	9	18	13	4	8	13	15	7
6.	No. of Bills withdrawn	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	2	Nil	1	Nil	1	2	Nil
7.	No. of Bills negatived	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
8.	No. of Bills passed	Nil	8	19	21	20	6	10	11	18	21	6	7	12	13	13
9.	No. of Bills on which debate was adjourned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
10.	No. of Bills on which discussion was not concluded	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	2	Nil	1	Nil	2	1	1	1	1	1	Nil
11.	No. of Bills pending at the end of the session	Nil	10	14	23	29	32	35	36	47	55	53	54	60	60	62
12.	No. of amendments tabled	Nil	96	30	129	64	7	109	69	216	180	254	458	959	1223	697
13.	No. of amendments moved	Nil	42	Nil	115	24	1	83	58	141	105	54	196	58	617	119
14.	No. of amendments withdrawn, not presented or barred	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	5	Nil
15.	No. of amendments accepted/adopted	Nil	31	Nil	104	19	1	80	58	102	98	54	187	39	331	96
16.	No. of amendments negatived	Nil	11	Nil	11	5	Nil	3	Nil	39	7	Nil	9	19	285	23
17.	No. of Bills passed by Rajya Saha and laid on the Table of Lok Sabha	Nil	Nil	2	3	8	Nil	Nil	3	5	8	1	Nil	1	7	3

(B) Private Members' Bills

		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
1.	No. of sittings during which Private Members' Bills were considered*	-	3	1	2	1	-	2	3	-	1	1	1	2	-	-
2.	No. of Bills introduced	-	30	31	45	24	-	43	38	-	53	24	48	36	-	-
3.	No. of Bills considered	-	1	-	1	2	-	3	2	-	2	1	2	3	-	-
4.	No. of Bills referred to Select/Joint/Standing Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.	No. of Bills withdrawn	-	-	2	-	1	-	2	1	-	3	-	-	2	-	-
6.	No. of Bills negatived	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
7.	No. of Bills removed from the Register of Pending Bills	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	28	-	2	27
8.	No. of Bills circulated for opinion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9.	No. of Bills on which motion for circulation negatived	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10.	No. of Bills originating in Lok Sabha and returned by Rajya Sabha with amendments and amendments made by Rajya Sabha agreed to by Lok Sabha	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11.	No. of Bills passed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12.	No. of Bills on which debate was adjourned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13.	No. of Bills on which discussion was not concluded	-	-	1	1	1	@	1	1	@	1	1	1	1	@	@
14.	No. of Bills pending at the end of the session	-	30	59	104	127	127	168	205	205	254	278	297	331	329	302
15.	No. of amendments tabled	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16.	No. of amendments moved	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17.	No. of amendments withdrawn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18.	No. of amendments accepted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19.	No. of amendments negatived	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* No day was allotted for Private Members' Business during 1st session of 15th Lok Sabha.

@ Private Members' Business could not be transacted during 6th, 9th, 14th and 15th Sessions.

STATEMENT 29

Enactments by Parliament during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha
(Acts indicated with (*) were treated as Money Bills)

Sl.No.	Name of the Act
1	2
1.	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 3 Act, 2009*
2.	The Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 2009*
3.	The Jharkhand Appropriation (No.2) Act, 2009*
4.	The Appropriation (No.3) Act, 2009*
5.	The Finance (No.2) Act, 2009*
6.	The Metro Railways (Amendment) Act, 2009
7.	The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009
8.	The Essential Commodities (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2009
9.	The Jharkhand Contingency Fund (Amendment) Act, 2009*
10.	The Central Universities (Amendment) Act, 2009
11.	The Competition (Amendment) Act, 2009
12.	The National Capital Territory of Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second Act, 2009
13.	The Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, 2009
14.	The Appropriation (No.4) Act, 2009*
15.	The Jharkhand Appropriation (No.3) Act, 2009*
16.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.4 Act, 2009*
17.	The Workmen's Compensation (Amendment) Act, 2009
18.	The National Rural Employment Guarantee (Amendment) Act, 2009
19.	The Payment of Gratuity (Amendment) Act, 2009
20.	The State Bank of Saurashtra (Repeal) and the State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks) Amendment Act, 2009
21.	The Legal Metrology Act, 2009
22.	The Constitution (Ninety-Fifth) Amendment Act, 2009
23.	The Salaries and Allowances of Ministers (Amendment) Act, 2009
24.	The Civil Defence (Amendment) Act, 2009
25.	The Rubber (Amendment) Act, 2009
26.	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2010*
27.	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2010*
28.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.2 Act, 2010*
29.	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2010*
30.	The Appropriation Act, 2010*
31.	The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010
32.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.3 Act, 2010*
33.	The Appropriation (No.2) Act, 2010*
34.	The Appropriation (No.3) Act, 2010*
35.	The Finance Act, 2010*
36.	The Payment of Gratuity (Amendment) Act, 2010
37.	The Tamil Nadu Legislative Council Act, 2010
38.	The Plantations Labour (Amendment) Act, 2010
39.	The Employees' State Insurance (Amendment) Act, 2010
40.	The National Green Tribunal Act, 2010
41.	The National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (Amendment) Act, 2010
42.	The Appropriation (No.4) Act, 2010*
43.	The Jharkhand Appropriation Act, 2010*
44.	The Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2010
45.	The Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Act, 2010

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46.	The Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2010
47.	The Securities and Insurance Laws (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010
48.	The State Bank of India (Amendment) Act, 2010
49.	The Energy Conservation (Amendment) Act, 2010
50.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.4 Act, 2010*
51.	The Personal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2010
52.	The Land Ports Authority of India Act, 2010
53.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 2010
54.	The Jharkhand Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Act, 2010
55.	The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2010
56.	The Essential Commodities (Amendment) Act, 2010
57.	The Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, 2010
58.	The Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament (Amendment) Act, 2010
59.	The Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage Act, 2010
60.	The Nalanda University Act, 2010
61.	The Trade Marks (Amendment) Act, 2010
62.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2010
63.	The Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010
64.	The Indian Medicine Central Council (Amendment) Act, 2010
65.	The Appropriation (No.5) Act, 2010*
66.	The Appropriation (No.6) Act, 2010*
67.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.5 Act, 2010*
68.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.6 Act, 2010*
69.	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2011*
70.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.2 Act, 2011*
71.	The Appropriation Act, 2011*
72.	The Appropriation (No.2) Act, 2011*
73.	The National Capital Territory of Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Act, 2011
74.	The Repatriation of Prisoners (Amendment) Act, 2011
75.	The State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks) Amendment Act, 2011
76.	The Finance Act, 2011*
77.	The Appropriation (No.3) Act, 2011*
78.	The Jawaharlal Institute of Post-Graduate Medical Education and Research, Puducherry (Amendment) Act, 2011
79.	The Coinage Act, 2011
80.	The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Act, 2011
81.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 2011
82.	The Customs (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2011
83.	The Orissa (Alteration of Name) Act, 2011
84.	The Constitution (Ninety-Sixth Amendment) Act, 2011
85.	The Transplantation of Human Organs (Amendment) Act, 2011
86.	The State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks Laws) Amendment Act, 2011
87.	The National Council for Teacher Education (Amendment) Act, 2011
88.	The Appropriation (No.4) Act, 2011*
89.	The National Capital Territory of Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second Act, 2011
90.	The Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2011
91.	The Damodar Valley Corporation (Amendment) Act, 2011
92.	The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Act, 2011
93.	The Chartered Accountants (Amendment) Act, 2011

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94.	The Company Secretaries (Amendment) Act, 2011
95.	The New Delhi Municipal Council (Amendment) Act, 2011
96.	The Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Amendment Act, 2011
97.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.3 Act, 2011*
98.	The Life Insurance Corporation (Amendment) Act, 2011
99.	The Petroleum and Minerals Pipelines (Acquisition of Right of User in Land) (Amendment) Act, 2011
100.	The Cost and works Accountants (Amendment) Act, 2011
101.	The Export-Import Bank of India (Amendment) Act, 2011
102.	The Constitution (Ninety-seventh Amendment) Act, 2011
103.	The Factoring Regulation Act, 2011
104.	The Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research Act, 2011
105.	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2012*
106.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.2 Act, 2012*
107.	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2012*
108.	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2012*
109.	The Appropriation Act, 2012*
110.	The Appropriation (No.2) Act, 2012*
111.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 2012
112.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.3 Act, 2012*
113.	The Appropriation (No.3) Act, 2012*
114.	The Finance Act, 2012*
115.	The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Act, 2012
116.	The Railway Property (Unlawful Possession) Amendment Act, 2012
117.	The North-Eastern Areas (Reorganisation) and Other Related Laws (Amendment) Act, 2012
118.	The Copyright (Amendment) Act, 2012
119.	The National Institutes of Technology (Amendment) Act, 2012
120.	The Anand Marriage (Amendment) Act, 2012
121.	The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Act, 2012
122.	The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Amendment Act, 2012
123.	The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012
124.	The Administrators -General (Amendment) Act, 2012
125.	The Institutes of Technology (Amendment) Act, 2012
126.	The Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development Act, 2012
127.	The Chemical Weapons Convention (Amendment) Act, 2012
128.	The All-India Institute of Medical Sciences (Amendment) Act, 2012
129.	The National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro-Sciences, Bangalore Act, 2012
130.	The North-Eastern Areas (Reorganisation) Amendment Act, 2012
131.	The Appropriation (No.4) Act, 2012*
132.	The Constitution (Ninety-eighth Amendment) Act, 2012
133.	The Enforcement of Security Interest and Recovery of Debts Laws (Amendment) Act, 2012
134.	The Prevention of Money-Laundering (Amendment) Act, 2012
135.	The Unlawful Activities (Amendment) Act, 2012
136.	The Banking Laws (Amendment) Act, 2012
137.	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2013*
138.	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2013*
139.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.2 Act, 2013*
140.	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2013*

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141.	The Appropriation Act, 2013*
142.	The Appropriation (No.2) Act, 2013*
143.	The Jharkhand Appropriation Act, 2013*
144.	The Jharkhand Appropriation (No.2) Act, 2013*
145.	The Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2013
146.	The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013
147.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.3 Act, 2013*
148.	The Appropriation (No.3) Act, 2013*
149.	The Finance Act, 2013*
150.	The Companies Act, 2013
151.	The National Highways Authority of India (Amendment) Act, 2013
152.	The National Food Security Act, 2013
153.	The Appropriation (No.4) Act, 2013*
154.	The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Amendment) Act, 2013
155.	The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority Act, 2013
156.	The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Act, 2013
157.	The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavangers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013
158.	The Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University Act, 2013
159.	The Wakf (Amendment) Act, 2013
160.	The Parliament (Prevention of Disqualification) Amendment Act, 2013
161.	The Representation of the People (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2013
162.	The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013
163.	The Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013
164.	The Appropriation (No.5) Act, 2013*
165.	The Appropriation (Railways) No.4 Act, 2013*
166.	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2014*
167.	The Appropriation (Railways) Act , 2014*
168.	The Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014
169.	The Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014
170.	The Governors (Emoluments, Allowances and Privileges) Amendment Act, 2014
171.	The National Institutes of Technology, Science Education and Research (Amendment) Act, 2014
172.	The Rani Laxmi Bai Central Agricultural University Act, 2014
173.	The Finance Act, 2014*
174.	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2014*
175.	The Appropriation Act, 2014*
176.	The Delhi Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2014*
177.	The Delhi Appropriation Act, 2014*
178.	The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Amendment) Act, 2014
179.	The Whistle Blowers Protection Act, 2014

STATEMENT 30

Bills referred to Joint Committee/Select Committee during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Title of the Bill	Date of Introduction	Date of reference to Joint Committee	Date of reference to Select Committee	Date of reference to Standing Committee	Date of Presentation of Report	Date of Consideration of Bill
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
			- NIL -				

Government Bills referred to Standing Committees during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Title of the Bill	Date of introduction	Date of reference to Standing Committee	Date of presentation of Report	Date of consideration of Bill by LS
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	The National Commission for Heritage Sites Bill, 2009	26.2.2009 (Rajya Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (2.9.2009)	23.11.2009	—
2.	The National Green Tribunal Bill, 2009	31.7.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (15.9.2009)	24.11.2009	30.4.2010
3.	The National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (Amendment) Bill, 2009	7.8.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (15.9.2009)	25.11.2009	4.5.2010
4.	The Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Bill, 2009	26.2.2009 (Rajya Sabha)	Labour (10.9.2009)	9.12.2009	—
5.	The Employees' State Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2009	7.8.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Labour (9.9.2009)	9.12.2009	3.5.2010
6.	The Railway Property (Unlawful Possession) Amendment Bill, 2008	18.12.2008 (Rajya Sabha)	Railways (30.12.2008)	9.12.2009	18.5.2012
7.	The Constitution (One Hundred and Eighth Amendment) Bill, 2008	6.5.2008 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (9.5.2008)	17.12.2009	—
8.	The Constitution (One Hundred and Twelfth Amendment) Bill, 2009	24.11.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Urban Development (29.12.2009)	9.8.2010	—
9.	The Constitution (One Hundred and Tenth Amendment) Bill, 2009	26.11.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Rural Development (29.12.2009)	28.7.2010	—
10.	The Constitution (One Hundred and Eleventh Amendment) Bill, 2009	30.11.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Agriculture (29.12.2009)	30.8.2010	—
11.	The Coinage Bill, 2009	17.12.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.12.2009)	31.8.2010	25.3.2011
12.	The State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks Laws) Amendment Bill, 2009	18.12.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.12.2009)	22.2.2011	11.8.2011
13.	The Transplantation of Human Organs (Amendment) Bill, 2009	18.12.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (25.1.2010)	4.8.2010	12.8.2011
14.	The Land Ports Authority of India Bill, 2009	7.8.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (15.9.2009)	22.2.2010	6.5.2010

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15.	The Life Insurance Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2009	31.7.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (9.9.2009)	12.3.2010	12.12.2011
16.	The Indian Trusts (Amendment) Bill, 2009	24.2.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (9.9.2009)	12.3.2010	—
17.	The Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2009	25.11.2009 (Rajya Sabha)	Commerce (1.12.2009)	16.4.2010	12.8.2010
18.	The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Amendment) Bill, 2009	3.8.2009 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (9.9.2009)	19.4.2010	—
19.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2010	15.3.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (6.4.2010)	30.7.2010	12.8.2010
20.	The Petroleum and Minerals Pipelines (Acquisition of right of user in Land) Amendment Bill, 2010	16.3.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Petroleum and Natural Gas (7.5.2010)	26.8.2010	12.12.2011
21.	The National Institutes of Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2010	15.4.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (13.5.2010)	15.11.2010	19.8.2011
22.	The National Council for Teacher Education (Amendment) Bill, 2010	16.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (22.4.2010)	30.7.2010	2.9.2011
23.	The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2010	16.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (22.4.2010)	30.7.2010	9.5.2011
24.	The Chemical Weapons Convention (Amendment) Bill, 2010	16.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Chemicals and Fertilizers (26.4.2010)	30.8.2010	30.8.2012
25.	The Copyright (Amendment) Bill, 2010	19.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (23.4.2010)	23.11.2010	—
26.	The Personal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2010	22.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (23.4.2010)	4.8.2010	21.8.2010
27.	The Cost and Works Accountants (Amendment) Bill, 2010	28.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Finance (4.5.2010)	31.8.2010	19.12.2011
28.	The Chartered Accountants (Amendment) Bill, 2010	28.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Finance (4.5.2010)	31.8.2010	19.12.2011
29.	The Company Secretaries (Amendment) Bill, 2010	28.4.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Finance (4.5.2010)	31.8.2010	19.12.2011
30.	The Prohibition of Unfair Practices in Technical Educational Institutions, Medical Educational Institutions and Universities Bill, 2010	3.5.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (13.5.2010)	2.8.2011	—

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31.	The Educational Tribunals Bill, 2010	3.5.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (13.5.2010)	20.8.2010	26.8.2010
32.	The Foreign Educational Institutions (Regulation of Entry and Operations) Bill, 2010	3.5.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (13.5.2010)	2.8.2011	—
33.	The National Accreditation Regulatory Authority for Higher Educational Institutions Bill, 2010	3.5.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (13.5.2010)	12.8.2011	—
34.	The National Road Safety and Traffic Management Board Bill, 2010	4.5.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (13.5.2010)	27.7.2010	—
35.	The Indian Medicine Central Council (Amendment) Bill, 2010.	6.5.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (12.5.2010)	11.8.2010	—
36.	The Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage Bill, 2010	7.5.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (13.5.2010)	18.8.2010	25.8.2010
37.	The Protection and Utilisation of Public Funded Intellectual Property Bill, 2008	15.12.2008 (Rajya Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (28.6.2010)	2.8.2010	—
38.	The New Delhi Municipal Council (Amendment) Bill, 2010	3.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (21.8.2010)	22.2.2011	6.8.2010
39.	The Arms (Amendment) Bill, 2010	25.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (3.9.2010)	2.8.2011	—
40.	The Architects (Amendment) Bill, 2010	31.8.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (6.9.2010)	25.2.2011	—
41.	The Prasar Bharti (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Amendment Bill, 2010	31.8.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Information Technology (9.9.2010)	10.12.2010	20.12.2011
42.	The Dam Safety Bill, 2010	30.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Water Resources (9.9.2010)	17.8.2011	—
43.	The Direct Taxes Code Bill, 2010	30.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (9.9.2010)	13.3.2012	—
44.	The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Amendment Bill, 2010	6.8.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (10.9.2010)	25.2.2011	—

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45.	The Jawaharlal Institute of Post-Graduate Medical Education and Research, Puducherry (Amendment) Bill, 2010	5.8.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (13.9.2010)	10.11.2010	—
46.	The Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research Bill, 2010	30.7.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (16.9.2010)	13.12.2010	5.9.2011
47.	The Repatriation of Prisoners (Amendment) Bill, 2010	16.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (16.9.2010)	10.11.2010	1.3.2011
48.	The Constitution (One Hundred and Fourteenth Amendment) Bill, 2010	25.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (16.9.2010)	09.12.2010	—
49.	The Public Interest Disclosure and Protection of Persons Making the Disclosures Bill, 2010*	26.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (16.9.2010)	10.08.2011	27.12.2011
50.	The Institutes of Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2010	30.8.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (16.9.2010)	26.11.2010	24.3.2011
51.	The Anti-Hijacking (Amendment) Bill, 2010	19.8.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (20.9.2010)	01.03.2011	—
52.	The Marriage Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2010	4.8.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (23.9.2010)	01.03.2011	—
53.	The Multi-State Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2010	15.11.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Agriculture (20.12.2010)	20.12.2012	—
54.	The Enemy Property (Amendment and Validation) Second Amendment Bill, 2010	15.11.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (31.12.2010)	22.11.2011	—
55.	The Judicial Standards and Accountability Bill, 2010	1.12.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (31.12.2010)	30.8.2011	29.3.2012

*The short title of the Bill was amended by Lok Sabha through an amendment to Clause 1 and the Bill was passed as the Whistle Blowers Protection Bill, 2011.

1	2	3	4	5	6
56.	The Forward Contracts (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2010	6.12.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution (6.12.2010)	22.12.2011	—
57.	The Protection of Women against Sexual Harassment at Workplace Bill, 2010*	7.12.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (31.12.2010)	08.12.2011	3.9.2012
58.	The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Bill, 2010	16.11.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (1.12.2010)	25.02.2011	29.8.2011
59.	The National Identification Authority Bill, 2010	3.12.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Finance (10.12.2010)	13.12.2011	—
60.	The National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro-Sciences, Bangalore Bill, 2010	7.12.2010 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (8.12.2010)	04.03.2011	04.09.2012
61.	The Banking Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2011	22.3.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.3.2011)	13.12.2011	18.12.2012
62.	The Constitution (One Hundred and Fifteenth Amendment) Bill, 2011	22.3.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.3.2011)	07.08.2013	—
63.	The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority Bill, 2011	24.3.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (8.4.2011)	30.08.2011	4.9.2013
64.	The Regulation of Factor (Assignment of Receivables) Bill, 2011**	24.3.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.3.2011)	30.08.2011	—
65.	The Prevention of Bribery of Foreign Public Officials and Officials of Public International Organisation Bill, 2011	25.3.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (4.4.2011)	29.03.2012	—
66.	The Labour Laws (Exemption from Furnishing Returns and Maintaining Registers by Certain Establishments) Amendment Bill, 2011	23.3.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Labour (1.4.2011)	20.12.2011	—
67.	The Mines (Amendment) Bill, 2011	23.3.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Labour (1.4.2011)	20.12.2011	—
68.	The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Bill, 2011	23.3.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (29.3.2011)	21.12.2011	—
69.	The Lokpal Bill, 2011	4.8.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (9.8.2011)	9.12.2011	—

*The short title of the Bill was amended by Lok Sabha through an amendment to Clause 1 and the Bill was passed as the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Bill, 2012.

**The short title of the Bill was amended by Lok Sabha through an amendment to Clause 1 and the Bill was passed as the Factoring Regulation Bill, 2011.

1	2	3	4	5	6
70.	The Border Security Force (Amendment) Bill, 2011	18.8.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Home Affairs (19.8.2011)	22.11.2011	—
71.	The Administrators-General (Amendment) Bill, 2011	18.8.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (19.8.2011)	20.03.2012	—
72.	The Inter-State Migrant Workmen (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Bill, 2011	18.8.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Labour (24.8.2011)	20.12.2011	—
73.	The Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Bill, 2011	18.8.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (13.9.2011)	13.08.2012	—
74.	The Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2011*	7.9.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Rural Development (13.9.2011)	17.05.2012	29.8.2013
75.	The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2011	8.9.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (13.9.2011)	21.03.2012	20.2.2014
76.	The National Academic Depository Bill, 2011	5.9.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (16.9.2011)	13.3.2012	—
77.	The Nuclear Safety Regulatory Authority Bill, 2011	7.9.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (16.9.2011)	21.3.2012	—
78.	The Insurance Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2008	22.12.2008 (Rajya Sabha)	Finance (9.1.2009)	13.12.2011	—
79.	The Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Amendment Bill, 2011	23.11.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Urban Development (5.1.2012)	14.5.2012	—
80.	The North-Eastern Areas (Reogranisation) Amendment Bill, 2011	7.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (17.1.2012)	28.3.2012	03.09.2012
81.	The Warehousing Corporations (Amendment) Bill, 2011	8.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution (5.1.2012)	30.8.2012	—
82.	The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Bill, 2011	12.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Coal and Steel (5.1.2012)	7.5.2013	—
83.	The Arms (Amendment) Bill, 2011	12.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (17.1.2012)	28.3.2012	—
84.	The Companies Bill, 2011	14.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (5.1.2012)	13.8.2012	18.12.2012

*The short title of the Bill was amended by Lok Sabha through an amendment to Clause 1 and the Bill was passed as the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2013.

1	2	3	4	5	6
85.	The Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Second Amendment Bill, 2011	15.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Information Technology (5.1.2012)	28.8.2012	—
86.	The Press and Registration of Books and Publications Bill, 2011	16.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Information Technology (5.1.2012)		—
87.	The Consumer Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2011	16.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution (27.12.2011)		—
88.	The National Highways Authority of India (Amendment) Bill, 2011	19.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (17.1.2012)	15.3.2012	3.9.2012
89.	The Right of Citizens for Time Bound Delivery of Goods and Services and Redressal of their Grievances Bill, 2011	20.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (17.1.2012)	28.8.2012	—
90.	The Regional Centre for Biotechnology Bill, 2011	20.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (17.1.2012)	30.8.2012	—
91.	The Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development Bill, 2011	21.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (17.1.2012)	26.4.2012	21.5.2012
92.	The National Food Security Bill, 2011	22.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution (5.1.2012)	26.2.2013	—
93.	The Prevention of Money-Laundering (Amendment) Bill, 2011	27.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (5.1.2012)	09.05.2012	29.11.2012
94.	The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Second Amendment) Bill, 2011	27.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Social Justice and Empowerment (5.1.2012)	29.03.2012	15.05.2012
95.	The Electronic Delivery of Services Bill, 2011	27.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Information Technology (5.1.2012)	30.08.2012	—
96.	The Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Bill, 2011	29.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (17.1.2012)	28.03.2012	29.11.2011
97.	The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2011	8.12.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Home Affairs (9.12.2011)	28.03.2012	—

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98.	The Piracy Bill, 2012	24.4.2012 (Lok Sabha)	External Affairs (3.5.2012)	14.08.2012	—
99.	The National Housing Bank (Amendment) Bill, 2012	30.4.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (15.5.2012)	05.03.2013	—
100.	The Bureau of Indian Standards (Amendment) Bill, 2012	3.5.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution (29.5.2012)	30.08.2013	—
101.	The National Co-operative Development Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2012	17.5.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Agriculture (29.5.2012)	22.03.2013	—
102.	The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Amendment) Bill, 2012	21.5.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Social Justice and Empowerment (29.5.2012)	24.8.2012	24.8.2012
103.	The Public Procurement Bill, 2012	14.5.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.5.2012)	—	—
104.	The Micro Finance Institutions (Development and Regulation) Bill, 2012	22.5.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.5.2012)	17.2.2014	—
105.	The Small Industries Development Bank of India (Amendment) Bill, 2012	22.5.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (29.5.2012)	5.3.2013	—
106.	The Administrative Tribunals (Amendment) Bill, 2012	27.4.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (31.5.2011)	—	—
107.	The Universities for Research and Innovation Bill, 2012	21.5.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (31.5.2012)	26.2.2013	—
108.	The Indian Forests (Amendment) Bill, 2012	26.3.2012 (Rajya Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (28.3.2012)	—	—
109.	The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2012	7.5.2012 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (10.5.2012)	27.2.2013	—
110.	The Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University Bill, 2012	22.5.2012 (Rajya Sabha)	Agriculture (11.6.2012)	14.3.2013	—
111.	The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Bill, 2012	3.9.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Social Justice and Empowerment (10.9.2012)	4.3.2013	6.9.2013

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112.	The Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Bill, 2012	6.9.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Urban Development (10.9.2012)	13.3.2013	6.9.2013
113.	The Constitution (One Hundred Eighteenth Amendment) Bill, 2012	7.9.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (13.9.2012)	22.11.2012	18.12.2012
114.	The Armed Forces Tribunal (Amendment) Bill, 2012	13.8.2012 (Rajya Sabha)	Defence (24.8.2012)	20.3.2013	—
115.	The National Commission for Human Resources for Health Bill, 2011	22.12.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (26.12.2011)	23.11.2012	—
116.	The Indian Forest (Amendment) Bill, 2012	26.3.2012 (Rajya Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (28.3.2012)	26.11.2012	—
117.	The Higher Education and Research Bill, 2011	28.12.2011 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (3.1.2012)	13.12.2012	—
118.	The Administrative Tribunals (Amendment) Bill, 2012	27.4.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Law and Justice (31.5.2012)	17.12.2012	—
119.	The Multi-State Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2010	15.11.2010 (Lok Sabha)	Agriculture (20.12.2010)	20.12.2012	—
120.	The Press and Registration of Books and Publications Bill, 2011	16.12.2011 (Lok Sabha)	Information Technology (5.1.2012)	20.12.2012	—
121.	The Coal Mines (Conservation and Development) Amendment Bill, 2012	22.11.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Coal and Steel (24.12.2012)	07.05.2013	—
122.	The Central Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2012	26.11.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (3.1.2013)	06.09.2013	—
123.	The Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2012	4.12.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (3.1.2013)	04.03.2013	—
124.	The Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2012	4.12.2012 (Rajya Sabha)	Labour (14.12.2012)	13.12.2013	—
125.	The Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Amendment Bill, 2012	13.12.2012 (Rajya Sabha)	Human Resource Development (21.12.2012)	09.12.2013	—
126.	The Competition (Amendment) Bill, 2012	10.12.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (24.12.2012)	17.02.2014	—
127.	The Governors (Emoluments, Allowances and Privileges) Amendment Bill, 2012	10.12.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Home Affairs (3.1.2013)	04.03.2013	24.8.2013

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128.	The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) (Second Amendment) Bill, 2012	14.12.2012 (Lok Sabha)	Social Justice and Empowerment (24.12.2012)	21.03.2013	24.8.2013
129.	The Readjustment of Representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Parliamentary Assembly Constituencies Bill, 2013	26.2.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (19.3.2013)	02.05.2013	—
130.	The National Institutes of Technology, Science Education and Research (Amendment) Bill, 2013	4.3.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (17.5.2013)	09.12.2013	18.12.2013
131.	The North-Eastern Council (Amendment) Bill, 2013	11.3.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Home Affairs (12.3.2013)	05.08.2013	—
132.	The National Institute of Design Bill, 2013.	11.3.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Commerce (13.3.2013)	26.08.2013	—
133.	The Agricultural Biosecurity Bill, 2013	11.3.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Agriculture (9.5.2013)	05.02.2014	—
134.	The Indian Institutes of Information Technology Bill, 2013	18.3.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (17.5.2013)	13.12.2013	—
135.	The Building and Other Construction Workers Related Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2013	18.3.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Labour (25.3.2013)	—	—
136.	The Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Bill, 2013	18.3.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (19.3.2013)	7.8.2013	—
137.	The National Waterway (Lakhipur-Bhanga Stretch of the Barak River) Bill, 2013.	22.3.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (25.3.2013)	7.8.2013	—
138.	The Biotechnology Regulatory Authority of India Bill, 2013	22.4.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (17.5.2013)	—	—
139.	The Regional Rural Banks (Amendment) Bill, 2013	22.4.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (9.5.2013)	—	—
140.	The Employment Exchanges (Compulsory Notification of Vacancies) Amendment Bill, 2013	22.4.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Labour (3.5.2013)	7.2.2014	—
141.	The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 2013	6.5.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (9.5.2013)	—	—
142.	The Right to Information (Amendment) Bill, 2013	12.8.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (16.9.2013)	17.12.2013	—

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143.	The Securities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2013	12.8.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Finance (17.9.2013)	—	—
144.	The Civil Aviation Authority of India Bill, 2013	20.8.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (19.9.2013)	6.2.2014	—
145.	The Indira Gandhi National University for Women Bill, 2013	20.8.2013 (Lok Sabha)	Human Resource Development (19.9.2013)	7.2.2014	—
146.	The Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Bill, 2013	14.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Urban Development (11.9.2013)	—	—
147.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Bill, 2013	19.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (12.9.2013)	09.12.2013	—
148.	The Judicial Appointments Commission Bill, 2013	29.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (10.9.2013)	09.12.2013	—
149.	The Drugs and Cosmetics (Amendment) Bill, 2013	29.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (9.9.2013)	—	—
150.	The Nalanda University (Amendment) Bill, 2013	26.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	External Affairs (5.9.2013)	17.12.2013	—
151.	The Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Bill, 2013	19.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (23.8.2013)	06.02.2014	—
152.	The Merchant Shipping (Second Amendment) Bill, 2013	19.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Transport, Tourism and Culture (20.8.2013)	17.12.2013	—
153.	The Mental Health Care Bill, 2013	19.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (20.8.2013)	09.12.2013	—
154.	The Wild Life (Protection) Amendment Bill, 2013	5.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Science and Technology, Environment and Forests (7.8.2013)	—	—
155.	The Rajasthan Legislative Council Bill, 2013	6.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (7.8.2013)	9.12.2013	—

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156.	The Registration (Amendment) Bill, 2013	8.8.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	Rural Development (19.8.2013)	—	—
157.	The Constitution (One Hundred and Nineteenth Amendment) Bill, 2013	18.12.2013 (Rajya Sabha)	External Affairs (31.12.2013)	—	—
158.	The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Bill, 2014	7.2.2014 (Rajya Sabha)	Social Justice and Empowerment (24.2.2014)	—	—
159.	The Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (Prevention and Control) Bill, 2014	11.2.2014 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (24.2.2014)	—	—
160.	The Waqf Properties (Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) Bill, 2014	18.2.2014 (Rajya Sabha)	Social Justice and Empowerment (6.3.2014)	—	—
161.	The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Amendment) Bill, 2014	11.2.2014 (Rajya Sabha)	Social Justice and Empowerment (6.3.2014)	—	—
162.	The Tribunals, Appellate Tribunals and Other Authorities (Conditions of Service) Bill, 2014	19.2.2014 (Rajya Sabha)	Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice (24.2.2014)	—	—
163.	The Food Safety and Standards (Amendment) Bill, 2014	19.2.2014 (Rajya Sabha)	Health and Family Welfare (24.2.2014)	—	—

STATEMENT 31

Ordinances promulgated by the President during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Title of Ordinance	Date of Publication in the Gazette	Date of introduction of Bill and the House in which introduced	Corresponding Act Passed
1	2	3	4	5
1.	The Competition (Amendment) Ordinance, 2009	14.10.2009	11.12.2009 (LS)	The Competition (Amendment) Act, 2009
2.	The Jharkhand Contingency Fund (Amendment) Ordinance, 2009	20.10.2009	7.12.2009 (LS)	The Jharkhand Contingency Fund (Amendment) Act, 2009
3.	The Central Universities (Amendment) Ordinance, 2009	20.10.2009	24.11.2009 (LS)	The Central Universities (Amendment) Act, 2009

1	2	3	4	5
4.	The Essential Commodities (Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2009	20.10.2009	4.12.2009 (LS)	The Essential Commodities (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2009
5.	The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2010	23.01.2010	11.3.2010 (LS)	The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010
6.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2010	15.5.2010	5.8.2010 (LS)	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 2010
7.	The Securities and Insurance Laws (Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2010	18.6.2010	27.7.2010 (LS)	The Securities and Insurance Laws (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010
8.	The Enemy Property (Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2010	2.7.2010	2.8.2010 (LS)	—
9.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2011	10.5.2011	2.8.2011 (LS)	—
10.	The Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design and Manufacturing, Kancheepuram Ordinance, 2011	20.6.2011	5.8.2011 (LS)	—
11.	The Cable Television Networks (Regulations) Amendment Ordinance, 2011	25.10.2011	—	—
12.	The All-India Institute of Medical Sciences (Amendment) Ordinance, 2012	16.7.2012	27.8.2012 (LS)	The All-India Institute of Medical Sciences (Amendment) Act, 2012
13.	The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Amendment) Ordinance, 2013	21.1.2013	—	—
14.	The Readjustment of Representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies Ordinance, 2013	30.1.2013	—	—
15.	The Criminal Law (Amendment) Ordinance, 2013	3.2.2013	19.3.2013 (LS)	The Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2013
16.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2013	21.5.2013	—	—
17.	The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Amendment) Second Ordinance, 2013	29.5.2013	14.8.2013 (LS)	The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Amendment) Second Act, 2013
18.	The Readjustment of Representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies (Second) Ordinance, 2013	5.6.2013	—	—
19.	The National Food Security Ordinance, 2013	5.7.2013	7.8.2013 (LS)	The National Food Security Act, 2013
20.	The Securities Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2013	18.7.2013	12.8.2013 (LS)	—

1	2	3	4	5
21.	The Securities Laws (Amendment) Second Ordinance, 2013	16.9.2013	—	—
22.	The Readjustment of Representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies (Third) Ordinance, 2013	27.9.2013	—	—
23.	The Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Second Ordinance, 2013	28.9.2013	—	—
24.	The Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Ordinance, 2014	4.3.2014	—	—
25.	The Securities Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2014	28.3.2014	—	—

STATEMENT 32

I. Financial Business Discussed during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

	Subject	Date of Presentation	Date of Discussion	Remarks
	1	2	3	4
A.	Budget (General) for 2009-10	06.07.2009	09.7.2009 10.7.2009 13.7.2009 14.7.2009	General Discussion
	Budget (General) for 2010-11	26.02.2010	11.03.2010 12.03.2010	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (General)
	Budget (General) for 2011-12	28.2.2011	08.03.2011 09.03.2011 11.03.2011	General Discussion
	Budget (General) for 2012-13	16.03.2012	22.03.2012 26.03.2012 27.03.2012	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (General)
	Budget (General) for 2013-14	28.02.2013	13.03.2013 14.03.2013	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (General)
	Interim Budget (General) for 2014-15	17.02.2014	19.02.2014	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (General)
B.	Budget (Railways) for 2009-10	03.07.2009	07.07.2009 08.07.2009 09.07.2009	General Discussion
	Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2009-10	03.07.2009	09.07.2009	*Consideration and passing

*Passed without discussion.

	1	2	3	4
	Budget (Railways) for 2010-11	24.02.2010	08.03.2010 09.03.2010	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (Railways)
	Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2010-11	24.02.2010	19.04.2010	Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants (Railways)
	Budget (Railways) for 2011-12	25.02.2011	04.03.2011 07.03.2011	General Discussion
	Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2011-12	25.02.2011	07.03.2011	Consideration and passing
	Budget (Railways) for 2012-13	14.3.2012	20.03.2012 21.03.2012 22.03.2012	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (Railways)
	Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2012-13	14.3.2012	25.04.2012 26.04.2012	Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (Railways)
	Budget (Railways) for 2013-14	26.02.2013	07.03.2013 08.03.2013 11.03.2013 12.03.2013 13.03.2013	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (Railways)
	Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2013-14	26.02.2013	30.04.2013	*Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (Railways)
	Interim Budget (Railways) for 2014-15	12.02.2014	17.02.2014	General Discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (Railways)
C.	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2009-10	08.12.2009	10.12.2009 11.12.2009	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2009-10	05.03.2010	11.03.2010 12.03.2010	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2010-11	03.08.2010	05.08.2010	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2010-11	15.11.2010	01.12.2010	*Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2010-11	04.03.2011	08.03.2011 09.03.2011 11.03.2011	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2011-12	02.08.2011	04.08.2011 05.08.2011	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2011-12	25.11.2011	07.12.2011	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2011-12	19.03.2012	22.03.2012 26.03.2012 27.03.2012	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)

*Passed without discussion.

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Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2012-13	07.12.2012	12.12.2012 13.12.2012 14.12.2012	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2012-13	08.03.2013	13.03.2013 14.03.2013	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2013-14	23.08.2013	05.09.2013	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2013-14	11.12.2013	12.12.2013	*Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) for 2013-14	17.02.2014	19.02.2014	*Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (General)
D. Demands for Excess Grants (General) for 2006-07	08.07.2009	09.07.2009 10.07.2009 13.07.2009 14.07.2009	Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (General)
Demands for Excess Grants (General) for 2007-08	16.04.2010	28.04.2010	*Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (General)
Demands for Excess Grants (General) for 2008-09	15.11.2010	01.12.2010	*Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (General)
Demands for Excess Grants (General) for 2009-10	19.03.2012	22.03.2012 26.03.2012 27.03.2012	*Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (General)
Demands for Excess Grants (General) for 2010-11	08.03.2013	13.03.2013 14.03.2013	Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (General)
E. Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2009-10	10.12.2009	15.12.2009	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2009-10	04.03.2010	08.03.2010 09.03.2010	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2010-11	11.08.2010	19.08.2010	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2010-11	24.11.2010	02.12.2010	*Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2010-11	03.03.2011	04.03.2011 07.03.2011	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2011-12	08.12.2011	13.12.2011 16.12.2011	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2011-12	14.03.2012	20.03.2012 21.03.2012 22.03.2012	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)

*Passed without discussion.

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	Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2012-13	04.03.2013	07.03.2013 08.03.2013 11.03.2013 12.03.2013 13.03.2013	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2013-14	12.12.2013	12.12.2013	*Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
	Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2013-14	12.02.2014	17.02.2014	*Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways)
F.	Demands for Excess Grants (Railways) for 2007-08	04.03.2010	08.03.2010 09.03.2010	Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (Railways)
	Demands for Excess Grants (Railways) for 2008-09	24.11.2010	02.12.2010	*Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (Railways)
	Demands for Excess Grants (Railways) for 2009-10	14.03.2012	20.03.2012 21.03.2012 22.03.2012	Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (Railways)
	Demands for Excess Grants (Railways) for 2010-11	04.03.2013	07.03.2013 08.03.2013 11.03.2013 12.03.2013 13.03.2013	Discussion and voting on Demands for Excess Grants (Railways)

*Passed without discussion.

II. Discussion and Voting on Demands for Grants (Pertaining to Central Budget)

Ministries/Departments in respect of which Demands for Grants were Discussed

Budget year	Name of the Ministry/Department	Dates of Discussion	Time taken	
			Hrs.	Mts.
1	2	3	4	5
2009-10	Human Resource Development	15.07.2009	5	10
	$Agriculture and	17.07.2009	8	33
	$Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution	20.07.2009		
	Power	21.07.2009	6	26
	Home Affairs	22.07.2009	7	17
	Women and Child Development	23.07.2009	3	50

$Discussed together.

1	2	3	4	5
2010-11	External Affairs	20.04.2010	5	08
	Rural Development	22.04.2010	6	50
	Tribal Affairs	23.04.2010	5	29
2011-12	Rural Development	14.03.2011	4	56
	External Affairs	15.03.2011 16.03.2011	6	48
	Mines	16.03.2011	2	44
2012-13	Health and Family Welfare	26.04.2012 27.04.2012	6	29
	Urban Development	30.04.2012	4	28
	Home Affairs	02.05.2012	6	05
	Commerce and Industry	03.05.2012	3	50

III. Budget in respect of States/UTs under President's Rule

Subject	Date of Presentation	Date of Discussion	Remarks
1	2	3	4
Budget (Jharkhand) for 2009-10	08.07.2009	14.07.2009	General discussion
Demands for Grants (Jharkhand) 2009-10	08.07.2009	14.07.2009	Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants (Jharkhand)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Jharkhand) 2008-09	08.12.2009	11.12.2009	Discussion and voting
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Jharkhand) 2010-11	03.08.2010	06.08.2010	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Jharkhand)
Budget (Jharkhand) for 2013-14	14.03.2013	15.03.2013	General discussion Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants (Jharkhand)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (Jharkhand) 2012-13	14.03.2013	15.03.2013	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (Jharkhand)
Budget (NCT of Delhi) for 2014-15	21.02.2014	21.02.2014	Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants on Account (NCT of Delhi)
Supplementary Demands for Grants (NCT of Delhi) 2013-14	21.02.2014	21.02.2014	Discussion and voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants (NCT of Delhi)

IV. Ministries/Departments in respect of which Demands for Grants were Guillotined

Sl.No.	Name of the Ministry/Department	Remarks
1	2	3
	2009-10	
1.	Atomic Energy	Guillotined at 5.59 AM on 23.07.2009
2.	Chemicals and Fertilisers	
3.	Civil Aviation	
4.	Coal	
5.	Commerce and Industry	
6.	Communications and Information Technology	
7.	Corporate Affairs	
8.	Culture	
9.	Defence	
10.	Development of North Eastern Region	
11.	Earth Sciences	
12.	Environment and Forests	
13.	External Affairs	
14.	Finance	
15.	Food Processing Industries	
16.	Health and Family Welfare	
17.	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	
18.	Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation	
19.	Information and Broadcasting	
20.	Labour and Employment	
21.	Law and Justice	
22.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	
23.	Mines	
24.	Minority Affairs	
25.	New and Renewable Energy	
26.	Overseas Indian Affairs	
27.	Panchayati Raj	
28.	Parliamentary Affairs	
29.	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	
30.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	
31.	Planning	
32.	Lok Sabha	
33.	Rajya Sabha	
34.	Secretariat of the Vice- President	

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35.	Rural Development	
36.	Science and Technology	
37.	Shipping	
38.	Road Transport and Highways	
39.	Social Justice and Empowerment	
40.	Space	
41.	Statistics and Programme Implementation	Guillotined at 5.59 AM on 23.07.2009
42.	Steel	
43.	Textiles	
44.	Tourism	
45.	Tribal Affairs	
46.	Urban Development	
47.	Water Resources	
48.	Youth Affairs and Sports	
	2010-11	
1.	Agriculture	
2.	Atomic Energy	
3.	Chemicals and Fertilisers	
4.	Civil Aviation	
5.	Coal	
6.	Commerce and Industry	
7.	Communications and Information Technology	
8.	Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution	
9.	Corporate Affairs	
10.	Culture	
11.	Defence	Guillotined at 6.14 PM on 27.4.2010
12.	Development of North Eastern Region	
13.	Earth Sciences	
14.	Environment and Forests	
15.	Finance	
16.	Food Processing Industries	
17.	Health and Family Welfare	
18.	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	
19.	Home Affairs	
20.	Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation	
21.	Human Resource Development	
22.	Information and Broadcasting	

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23.	Labour and Employment	
24.	Law and Justice	
25.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	
26.	Mines	
27.	Minority Affairs	
28.	New and Renewable Energy	
29.	Overseas Indian Affairs	
30.	Panchayati Raj	
31.	Parliamentary Affairs	
32.	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	
33.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	
34.	Planning	
35.	Power	
36.	Lok Sabha	
37.	Rajya Sabha	Guillotined at 6.14 PM on 27.4.2010
38.	Secretariat of the Vice-President	
39.	Road Transport and Highways	
40.	Science and Technology	
41.	Shipping	
42.	Social Justice and Empowerment	
43.	Space	
44.	Statistics and Programme Implementation	
45.	Steel	
46.	Textiles	
47.	Tourism	
48.	Urban Development	
49.	Water Resources	
50.	Women and Child Development	
51.	Youth Affairs and Sports	
	2011-12	
1.	Agriculture	
2.	Atomic Energy	
3.	Chemicals and Fertilisers	
4.	Civil Aviation	Guillotined at 6.00 PM on 17.03.2011
5.	Coal	
6.	Commerce and Industry	
7.	Communications and Information Technology	
8.	Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution	

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9.	Corporate Affairs	
10.	Culture	
11.	Defence	
12.	Development of North Eastern Region	
13.	Earth Sciences	
14.	Environment and Forests	
15.	Finance	
16.	Food Processing Industries	
17.	Health and Family Welfare	
18.	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	
19.	Home Affairs	
20.	Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation	
21.	Human Resource Development	
22.	Information and Broadcasting	
23.	Labour and Employment	
24.	Law and Justice	
25.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	
26.	Mines	
27.	Minority Affairs	Guillotined at 6.00 PM on 17.03.2011
28.	New and Renewable Energy	
29.	Overseas Indian Affairs	
30.	Panchayati Raj	
31.	Parliamentary Affairs	
32.	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	
33.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	
34.	Planning	
35.	Power	
36.	Lok Sabha	
37.	Rajya Sabha	
38.	Secretariat of the Vice-President	
39.	Road Transport and Highways	
40.	Science and Technology	
41.	Shipping	
42.	Social Justice and Empowerment	
43.	Space	
44.	Statistics and Programme Implementation	
45.	Steel	
46.	Textiles	

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47.	Tourism	Guillotined at 6.00 PM on 17.03.2011
48.	Tribal Affairs	
49.	Urban Development	
50.	Water Resources	
51.	Women and Child Development	
52.	Youth Affairs and Sports	
	2012-13	
1.	Agriculture	Guillotined at 6.02 PM on 3.5.2012
2.	Atomic Energy	
3.	Chemicals and Fertilisers	
4.	Civil Aviation	
5.	Coal	
6.	Communications and Information Technology	
7.	Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution	
8.	Corporate Affairs	
9.	Culture	
10.	Defence	
11.	Development of North Eastern Region	
12.	Earth Sciences	
13.	Environment and Forests	
14.	External Affairs	
15.	Finance	
16.	Food Processing Industries	
17.	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	
18.	Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation	
19.	Human Resource Development	
20.	Information and Broadcasting	
21.	Labour and Employment	
22.	Law and Justice	
23.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	
24.	Mines	
25.	Minority Affairs	
26.	New and Renewable Energy	
27.	Overseas Indian Affairs	
28.	Panchayati Raj	
29.	Parliamentary Affairs	
30.	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	
31.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	

1	2	3
32.	Planning	Guillotined at 6.02 PM on 3.5.2012
33.	Power	
34.	Lok Sabha	
35.	Rajya Sabha	
36.	Secretariat of the Vice-President	
37.	Road Transport and Highways	
38.	Rural Development	
39.	Drinking Water and Sanitation	
40.	Science and Technology	
41.	Shipping	
42.	Social Justice and Empowerment	
43.	Space	
44.	Statistics and Programme Implementation	
45.	Steel	
46.	Textiles	
47.	Tourism	
48.	Tribal Affairs	
49.	Water Resources	
50.	Women and Child Development	
51.	Youth Affairs and Sports	
	2013-14	
1.	Agriculture	Guillotined at 12.49 PM on 30.4.2013
2.	Atomic Energy	
3.	Chemicals and Fertilisers	
4.	Civil Aviation	
5.	Coal	
6.	Commerce and Industry	
7.	Communications and Information Technology	
8.	Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution	
9.	Corporate Affairs	
10.	Culture	
11.	Defence	
12.	Development of North Eastern Region	
13.	Drinking Water and Sanitation	
14.	Earth Sciences	
15.	Environment and Forests	
16.	External Affairs	
17.	Finance	

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18.	Food Processing Industries	
19.	Health and Family Welfare	
20.	Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	
21.	Home Affairs	
22.	Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation	
23.	Human Resource Development	
24.	Information and Broadcasting	
25.	Labour and Employment	
26.	Law and Justice	
27.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	
28.	Mines	
29.	Minority Affairs	
30.	New and Renewable Energy	
31.	Overseas Indian Affairs	
32.	Panchayati Raj	
33.	Parliamentary Affairs	
34.	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	
35.	Petroleum and Natural Gas	
36.	Planning	Guillotined at 12.49 PM on 30.4.2013
37.	Power	
38.	Lok Sabha	
39.	Rajya Sabha	
40.	Secretariat of the Vice-President	
41.	Road Transport and Highways	
42.	Rural Development	
43.	Science and Technology	
44.	Shipping	
45.	Social Justice and Empowerment	
46.	Space	
47.	Statistics and Programme Implementation	
48.	Steel	
49.	Textiles	
50.	Tourism	
51.	Tribal Affairs	
52.	Urban Development	
53.	Water Resources	
54.	Women and Child Development	
55.	Youth Affairs and Sports	

6

RAISING MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Under the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha,* a number of procedural devices are available to the members to raise issues, elicit information and obtain decisions of the Government on a variety of matters affecting the public. With the help of these procedural devices, members get opportunities not only to review the working of the administration but also to constructively criticize the policies, programmes and actions of the Government. Apart from Questions, members raise Matters of Urgent Public Importance through several other procedural devices like the discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Address by the President, Adjournment Motions, No-confidence Motion, Calling Attention, Short Duration Discussions, Motions, Half-an-Hour Discussions, Resolutions, etc.

Motion of Thanks on the Address by the President

Article 87 (1) of the Constitution provides for an Address by the President to members of both the Houses of Parliament assembled together at the commencement of the first session after each General Election to the Lok Sabha and at the commencement of the first session each year.

In the case of the first session after each General Election to the Lok Sabha, the President addresses both Houses of Parliament after the members have made and subscribed the oath or affirmation and the Speaker of the Lok Sabha has been elected. Otherwise, in the case of the first session of each year, the President addresses members of both Houses of Parliament assembled together at a time and date notified for the commencement of the session of the two Houses. As per practice, no other business is transacted in the House till half-an-hour after the conclusion of the Address by the President. Thereafter, both the Houses meet separately in their respective Chambers where a copy of the Address is laid on the Table of each House.

Discussion on matters referred to in the Address by the President takes place on a Motion of Thanks moved by a member and seconded by another member. According to the established practice, the mover and the seconder of the Motion of Thanks are selected by the Prime Minister. On the days allotted for the discussion, the House is at liberty to discuss matters referred to in the Address. The scope of discussion is very wide and the members are free to speak on any national and/or international problem referred to in the Address. Even matters which are not specifically mentioned in the Address are brought into discussion through amendments to the Motion. The only limitation, however, in such cases is that the members cannot refer to matters which are not the direct responsibility of the Union Government.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the President addressed both the Houses of Parliament assembled together five times, *viz.,* at the commencement of the First Session on 4 June 2009 after the constitution of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha and at the commencement of the first session of Parliament during 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 which were the Fourth, Seventh, Tenth and Thirteenth Sessions, respectively. The total time spent in the House on discussion on Motion of Thanks to the President's Address in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha was 65 hours and 20 minutes.

Statement 33 shows the dates of the Address by the President and the time spent on discussion on the Motion of Thanks.

Adjournment Motions

In parliamentary practice, the primary objective of an adjournment motion is to draw the attention of the Government to a matter of urgent public importance. Generally speaking, the subject matter of an adjournment motion must relate to the conduct of the Government and must be in the nature of criticism of governmental action of omission or commission. An adjournment motion is not admissible unless there is failure on the part of the Government to perform the duties enjoined on it by the Constitution and the law. Where the Government has no obligation to intervene in a matter, an adjournment motion is out of order. An adjournment motion can also not be moved on matters where a Minister exercises discretionary powers conferred upon him by a Statute.

An adjournment motion is moved with the consent of the Speaker and by the leave of the House. The merit of each notice with regard to the question of public

importance, its definiteness and urgency is decided by the Speaker in his/her discretion. By nature, the adjournment motion is an interruption in the regular business of the House. The normal business of the House is set aside whenever an adjournment motion is taken up for discussion in the House. The Speaker allows the motion to be moved at the appointed hour which is usually at 1600 hours of the day. The time allotted for discussion is not less than two and a half hour, unless the debate concludes earlier.

When the motion "that the House do now adjourn" is being discussed, the Speaker has no power to adjourn the House for the day because during that time the power vests in the House to take a decision on its adjournment. The motion has to be disposed of before the House is adjourned. In case the motion is adopted, the House automatically stands adjourned in pursuance of the adoption of the motion. If the motion is negatived, discussion on the business which had been interrupted by the adjournment motion is resumed or the next item on the Agenda is taken up for a short while and then the House is adjourned by the Speaker for the day. When the motion is withdrawn by leave of the House, the House may be adjourned without resuming further business if it is time for the House otherwise to adjourn in the normal course.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 759 notices of adjournment motions were received. In 2 cases, discussions were held and the motions were negatived.

Statement 34 shows Session-wise details of the number of notices of adjournment motions received during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

No-confidence Motion

Article 75(3) of the Constitution expressly provides that the Council of Ministers shall be collectively responsible to the House of the People. When Parliament is in session, the continuance of the Government in office depends from moment to moment on retaining the confidence of the House of the People.

Rule 198 of the Rules of Procedure lays down the procedure for dealing with the Motion of No-confidence in the Council of Ministers. Adoption of any such motion results in the fall of the Government.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 42 Notices of Motion of No-confidence in the Council of Ministers were received. Out of which, leave was not granted to 1 Notice and 41 Notices could not be brought before the House. Statement 35 shows details of Notices of Motion of No Confidence received during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Motion of Confidence

There is no specific rule in the Rules of Procedure relating to the Motion of Confidence in the Council of Ministers. This, however, does not mean that such motions would be inadmissible or that a Motion of No Confidence which is the prerogative of the Opposition, must necessarily get precedence over a Motion of Confidence moved by the ruling party.

The necessity of the device of the Confidence Motion has been felt in recent era of minority governments caused by split in the mainline political parties, and formation of coalition governments. In the absence of any specific rule, the Motions of Confidence have been admitted under the category of motions stipulated under Rule 184 which are meant for raising discussions on matters of public interest. Decisions on such motions are taken under Rule 191 by putting before the House all the necessary questions. In the case of a Confidence Motion, there is no requirement for seeking the leave of the House as in the case of a No-confidence Motion. The one-line notice of a Confidence Motion reads that "this House expresses its confidence in the Council of Ministers".

The Confidence Motion is worded in a language which is directly opposite to that of a No-confidence Motion. The purpose and object of both the No-confidence and Confidence Motions are the same. The Confidence Motion gets priority over the No-confidence Motion even if the notices are received for both motions basically because under Rule 25, Government business has precedence over other business on days allotted for the transaction of Government business. Since the need for this motion is felt when the legitimacy of the Government is in question, it is appropriate that a positive vote of confidence is sought for.

In order to admit a No-confidence Motion, it must satisfy conditions laid down in Rule 198 which, *inter alia,* provides: (i) if not less than 50 members rise, the Speaker shall declare that the leave is granted; and (ii) that the motion will be taken up on such day as the Speaker may appoint, not being more than 10 days from the date on which the leave is asked for. In the case of the Confidence Motion, what is relevant is Rule 190 which deals with motions in general and which reads: "the Speaker may, after considering the state of business in the House and in consultation with the Leader of the House or on the recommendation of the Business Advisory Committee, allot a day or days or part of a day for the discussion on such motion".

During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha not a single Motion of Confidence in the Council of Ministers was moved.

Calling Attention

The concept of calling attention, which is an innovation in modern parliamentary procedure, is of Indian origin. A member may, with the prior permission of the Speaker, call the attention of a Minister to any matter of urgent public importance and the Minister may make a brief statement immediately or ask for time to make a statement at a later date. No debate is permitted on the statement made by the Minister but every member who called the attention of the Minister may ask a specific clarificatory question. Urgency and public importance are the main tests of admissibility of a calling attention notice. Not more than two calling attention matters can be taken up at any one sitting of the House.

A total of 2142 notices of Calling Attention on matters of urgent public importance were received during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. Of these 211 notices were admitted representing 9.85 per cent of the total notices received. In response to the notices admitted, statements were made on 40 subjects by the Ministers concerned in the House.

Statement 36 provides details of Calling Attention matters during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Short Duration Discussions

In order to provide opportunities to members to discuss matters of urgent public importance, a convention was established in the Lok Sabha in March 1953 whereby members could raise discussion for a short duration without a formal motion or vote thereon. This procedure was incorporated later into the Rules of Procedure under Rule 193 as 'Short Duration Discussion'.

Discussion under Rule 193 does not involve a formal motion before the House. Hence, no voting takes place after discussions. The member, who gives notice makes a short statement and such of the members as have previously intimated to the Speaker, may be permitted to take part in the discussion. The member who raises the discussion has no right of reply. At the end of the discussion, the Minister concerned gives a brief reply.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 41 Short Duration Discussions were raised by members.

A special sitting of Lok Sabha was held on 13 May 2012 to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament of India. At the sitting, the subject "Sixty years journey of the Indian Parliament" was discussed. After the discussion was over and valedictory reference made, the Speaker placed a Resolution before the House.

The Resolution was unanimously passed.

Statement 37 provides details of Short Duration Discussions taken up during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Motions

Rule 184 of the Rules of Procedure provides that "Save in so far as is otherwise provided in the Constitution or in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, no discussion on a matter of general public interest shall take place in the House except on a motion made with the consent of the Speaker".

Motions for raising discussion on matters of general public interest are usually tabled in two forms. In the first case, the House takes note of a document laid on the Table, while under the second, the position regarding a specific matter is taken into consideration by the House.

The first form is generally used in respect of a motion which seeks to discuss a report or a statement, etc. laid on the Table of the House. The motion in this form is a non-committal substantive motion and is submitted to the vote of the House at the end of the discussion. Such motions are discussed under Rule 191 of the Rules of Procedure. Mover of the Motion has the right to reply.

The second form of motion is generally used when a policy or a situation or a statement or any other matter is taken into consideration. Such motions are discussed under Rule 342 of the Rules of Procedure. The motion in this form is not submitted to the vote of the House at the end of the debate. However, if a member moves a substantive motion in substitution of the original motion, the vote of the House is taken thereon.

Statement 38 shows the details of motions moved under Rules 191 and 342 during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Motions for Modification

Where any order framed in pursuance of the Constitution or of the legislative functions delegated by an Act of Parliament to a subordinate authority is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha, any member may give notice of intention to move a motion or motions for modification of that order. Where a statute provides that the orders shall be subject to modification by Parliament, the Government is bound to find time for discussion of the motion if notice of a motion for their modification is admitted (Rule 235).

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha two motions for modification were discussed (**Statement 38A**).

Half-an-Hour Discussions

A half-an-hour discussion may be raised by a member on a matter of sufficient public importance which has been the subject of a recent question, oral or written (Starred,

Unstarred or Short Notice) and the answer to which needs further elucidation of facts. Normally, notice to raise a half-an-hour discussion should be given by the member immediately after or within three days in advance of the date on which the matter is desired to be raised and shortly specific the point or points that the member wishes to raise. The discussion is limited to half-an-hour and is held in the last thirty minutes of the sitting of the House. Half-an-hour discussions in the sessions other than the Budget Session are usually held on three days in a week. During the Budget Session, normally not more than one half-an-hour discussion is put down till the transaction of financial business is completed. There is no voting on a half-an-hour discussion as there is no formal motion before the House.

Statement 39 gives details of the 7 half-an-hour discussions raised during the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Resolutions

A member or a Minister may, subject to the provisions of Rules 170-176 of the Rules of Procedure, move a resolution relating to a matter of general public interest. Resolutions may be broadly divided into three categories, *viz.* (i) resolutions which are mere expressions of opinion by the House; (ii) resolutions which have a statutory effect; and (iii) resolutions which the House passes in the matter of control over its own proceedings. Resolutions may also be categorized as: (i) Government Resolutions; (ii) Private Members' Resolutions; and (iii) Statutory Resolutions.

A resolution may be in the form of a declaration of opinion or a recommendation, or it may be in the form so as to record either approval or disapproval by the House of an act or policy of the Government or convey a message or commend, urge or request an action or call attention to a matter or situation for consideration by the Government, or in such other form as the Speaker may consider appropriate.

A resolution must purport to convey the opinion of the House as a whole and not of any section thereof. Moreover, the subject matter of a resolution should relate to a matter of general public interest and only those matters which are primarily the concern of the Government of India can form its subject matter.

The last two and half hours of a sitting on every alternate Friday of a session are usually allotted to the discussion of Private Members' Resolutions.

Government Resolutions are subject to the same rules as the Private Members' Resolutions. The three broad categories under which Government Resolutions may be classified are:

(i) resolutions approving international treaties, conventions or agreements to which the Government is a party;

(ii) resolutions declaring or approving certain policies of the Government; and

(iii) resolutions approving recommendations of certain Committees.

Statutory Resolutions are those which are moved in pursuance of a provision in the Constitution or an Act of Parliament. Such resolutions can be moved both by the Government or a private member. Certain enactments expressly require the Government to bring forward a resolution within a specified period of time.

Of the 33 Resolutions moved/placed before the House during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 6 were Government Resolutions, all of which were adopted. 5 Resolutions placed by the Speaker were also adopted. There were 12 Statutory Resolutions, out of which 4 were adopted. 19 Resolutions were moved by Private Members, none of which was adopted.

Statement 40 gives details of the resolutions moved during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Matters Raised under Rule 377

Matters which cannot be raised under the rules relating to Questions, Short Notice Questions, Calling Attentions, Motions, etc., can be raised under Rule 377. This procedural device provides an opportunity to members to raise issues, particularly those relating to their constituencies. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, as many as 4019 matters were raised by the members under Rule 377.

Statement 41 gives number of matters raised under Rule 377 and the time spent on them during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Points of Order

Any member can invite the Speaker's immediate attention to any instance of a breach of rule of the House by raising a point of order. A point of order should relate to the interpretation or enforcement of the Rules of Procedure or conventions or such articles of the Constitution as regulate the business of the House and must raise a question which is within the cognizance of the Speaker. It can be raised only in relation to the business before the House at a particular moment. A point of order is not a point of privilege and it is not permissible for a member to raise a point of order to ask for information or to explain his position. A point of order cannot be raised against the decision of the Speaker in regard to the admissibility of

notices. In all, 61 Points of Order were raised during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. Of these, only 8 were upheld by the Speaker.

Statement 42 gives details about the Points of Order raised during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Matters Raised during 'Zero Hour'

Matters also come up in the House in the interregnum after the Question Hour and before the taking up of the other listed business for the day. Popularly known as the 'Zero Hour', this period is sought to be made use of by Members to draw attention of the Government to various issues.

In the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, as many as 3304 matters were raised by the members during 'Zero Hour' which took up 152.05 hours.

Statement 43 provides details about the matters raised during the 'Zero Hour' in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT 33

Dates of the Address by the President and the time devoted on discussion on Motion of Thanks to the President during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Session	Date of Address by the President	Date(s) of discussion on the Motion of Thanks	Time Taken	
			Hrs.	Mts.
First	4.6.2009	5.6.2009 8.6.2009 9.6.2009	16	18
Fourth	22.2.2010	3.3.2010 4.3.2010 5.3.2010	12	31
Seventh	21.2.2011	22.2.2011 23.2.2011 24.2.2011	10	07
Tenth	12.3.2012	13.3.2012 14.3.2012 15.3.2012 19.3.2012	14	37
Thirteenth	21.2.2013	27.2.2013 6.3.2013	11	47

STATEMENT 34

Adjournment Motions in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha: Number of Notices Received, Brought Before the House, Admitted and Total Time taken thereon.

Year and Session	Total number of notices received	Notices brought before the House Number (% of total)	Number of notices admitted	Total Time taken	
				Hrs.	Mts.
1	2	3	4	5	
First	03	NIL	NIL	NIL	
Second	18	NIL	NIL	NIL	

1	2	3	4	5
Third	17	NIL	NIL	NIL
Fourth	50	13 (26%)	NIL	0 41
Fifth	56	14 (25%)	NIL	0 35
Sixth	46	NIL	NIL	NIL
Seventh	50	NIL	NIL	NIL
Eighth	59	NIL	NIL	NIL
Ninth	104	NIL	02	5 36
Tenth	40	NIL	NIL	NIL
Eleventh	33	NIL	01	4 42
Twelfth	20	NIL	NIL	NIL
Thirteenth	45	NIL	NIL	NIL
Fourteenth	110	NIL	NIL	NIL
Fifteenth	108	NIL	NIL	NIL
Total	759	27 (3.55%)	3	12 34

STATEMENT 35

Statement showing Notices of No Confidence Motion received during Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Name of Member who had tabled notice	Date of Notice	Remarks
1	2	3	4
1.	Shri Sudip Bandyopadhyay	22.11.2012	Leave not granted.
2.	Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao (Notice also signed by S/Shri Sabbam Hari, V. Aruna Kumar, A. Sai Prathap, L. Rajagopal and G.V. Harsha Kumar)	9.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
3.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao (Notice also signed by Dr. N. Siva Prasad, S/Shri Nimmala Kristappa and Modugula Venugopala Reddy)	9.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
4.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy (Notice also signed by S/Shri M. Rajamohan Reddy and S.P.Y. Reddy)	9.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.

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5.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy (Notice also signed by Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao, Dr. N. Siva Prasad and Shri Nimmala Kristappa)	11.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
6.	Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao (Notice also signed by S/Shri V. Aruna Kumar, Sabbam Hari, A. Sai Prathap, L. Rajagopal and G.V. Harsha Kumar)	11.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
7.	Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy (Notice also signed by Shri S.P.Y. Reddy)	11.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
8.	Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao (notice also signed by S/Shri Sabbam Hari, L. Rajagopal, A. Sai Prathap, V. Aruna Kumar and G.V. Harsha Kumar)	12.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
9.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao (Notice also signed by Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy, Dr. N. Siva Prasad and Shri Nimmala Kristappa)	12.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
10.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy (Notice also signed by S/Shri M. Rajamohan Reddy and S.P.Y. Reddy)	12.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
11.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao (Notice also signed by Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy, Dr. N. Siva Prasad and Shri Nimmala Kristappa)	13.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
12.	Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao (Notice also signed by S/Shri Sabbam Hari, L. Rajagopal, A. Sai Prathap, V. Aruna Kumar and G.V. Harsha Kumar)	13.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
13.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy (Notice also signed by Shri M. Rajamohan Reddy)	13.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.

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14.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao (Notice also signed by Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy, Dr. N. Siva Prasad and Shri Nimmala Kristappa)	16.12.2013	The House adjourned for the day after making Obituary Reference to the passing away of Shri Sheesh Ram Ola, a sitting member and Minister of Labour and Employment.
15.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy	17.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
16.	Shri Sabbam Hari (Notice also signed by S/Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao, L. Rajagopal, V. Aruna Kumar, G.V. Harsha Kumar and A. Sai Prathap)	18.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
17.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao (Notice also signed by S/Shri Nimmala Kristappa and Modugula Venugopala Reddy)	18.12.2013	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
18.	Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy (Notice also signed by Shri M. Rajamohan Reddy)	18.12.2013	The notice tabled by Shri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy and signed by Shri M. Rajamohan Reddy was withdrawn by the Members before the same was brought before the House.
19.	Shri Vundavalli Aruna Kumar	5.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
20.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy	5.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
21.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao (Notice also signed by Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy, Dr. Naramalli Siva Prasad and Shri Nimmala Kristappa)	5.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
22.	Shri Sabbam Hari	6.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
23.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy	6.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.

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24.	Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy	6.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
25.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy	7.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
26.	Shri G.V. Harsha Kumar	7.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
27.	Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy	7.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
28.	Shri Vundavalli Aruna Kumar	10.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
29.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy	10.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
30.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao	10.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
31.	Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy	10.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
32.	Shri Sabbam Hari	11.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.

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33.	Shri Konakalla Narayana Rao	11.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
34.	Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy	11.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
35.	Shri Lagadapati Rajagopal	11.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
36.	Shri Rayapati Sambasiva Rao	12.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
37.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy	12.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
38.	Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy	12.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
39.	Shri A. Sai Prathap	13.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
40.	Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy	13.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
41.	Shri Mekapati Rajamohan Reddy	13.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.
42.	Shri G.V. Harsha Kumar	18.2.2014	Hon'ble Speaker made an observation regarding receipt of Notices of No Confidence Motion and that as the House was not in order due to continuous disruptions, she was not in a position to bring the notices before the House.

STATEMENT 36

Notice of Calling Attention of Ministers to Matters of Urgent Public Importance under Rule 197 during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Session	Number of notices received	Number of notices admitted	Col. 3 as % of Col. 2	Number of statements made by the Ministers concerned	Col. 5 as % of Col. 3	Total Time taken	
						Hrs.	Mts.
First	09	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	
Second	108	10	9.25%	3	30%	2	07
Third	206	39	18.93%	7	17.94%	4	42
Fourth	138	06	4.34%	2	33.33%	1	25
Fifth	237	26	10.97%	7	26.92%	4	23
Sixth	137	64	46.71%	NIL	NIL	NIL	
Seventh	133	10	7.51%	4	40%	1	01
Eighth	207	15	7.24%	3	20%	3	11
Ninth	187	08	4.27%	3	37.5%	2	19
Tenth	158	08	5.06%	5	62.5%	NIL	
Eleventh	157	15	9.55%	2	13.33%	NIL	
Twelfth	156	08	5.12%	3	37.5%	2	24
Thirteenth	137	02	1.45%	1	50%	0	01
Fourteenth	96	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	
Fifteenth	76	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	
TOTAL	2142	211	9.85%	40	18.95%	21	33

STATEMENT 37

Discussion on Matters of Urgent Public Importance for Short Duration Discussion under Rule 193 held during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Subject	Name of member who raised the discussion	Date(s) of discussion	Time Taken		Remarks
				Hrs.	Mts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		FIRST SESSION				
		- NIL -				
		SECOND SESSION				
1.	Situation arising out of rapid spread of Swine Flu in the country.	Shri Sandeep Dixit	3.7.2009	0	56	Part-discussed

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2.	Situation arising out of Drought and Floods in various parts of the country.	Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh 'Lalan'	28.7.2009	6	26	
3.	Issues arising out of Prime Minister's recent visit to foreign countries.	Shri Yashwant Sinha	29.7.2009 30.7.2009	5	03	
4.	Rise in the prices of Essential Commodities	Shri Basudeb Acharia	3.8.2009 7.8.2009	5	13	
		THIRD SESSION				
5.	Rise in prices of Essential Commodities.	Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh	26.11.2009	5	59	
6.	Natural Calamities in the country.	Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh	30.11.2009	4	02	
7.	Impact of Climate Change.	Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi	3.12.2009	4	56	
8.	Report of the Liberhan Ayodhya Commission of Inquiry and Memorandum of Action Taken by the Government on the Report laid on the Table of the House on the 24 November 2009.	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	7.12.2009 8.12.2009	8	28	
9.	Indo-China relations with special reference to recent occurrences.	Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi	9.12.2009	3	56	
10.	Increase in Naxalite and Maoist activities in the country.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	17.12.2009	0	11	Part-Discussed
		FOURTH SESSION				
11.	Price rise.	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	25.2.2010	8	14	
12.	The recent Maoist attack on CRPF Personnel at Dantewada district of Chhattisgarh.	Shri Yashwant Singh	15.4.2010	6	14	
13.	Need to lay down specific parameters for conducting the Census, 2011.	Shri Ananth Kumar	5.5.2010 6.5.2010 7.5.2010	5	00	
		FIFTH SESSION				
14.	Situation arising out of delay in preparation for Commonwealth Games 2010.	Shri Kirti Azad	9.8.2010 10.8.2010	6	21	
15.	Bhopal Gas Tragedy.	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	11.8.2010	6	36	
16.	Illegal Mining in various States.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	17.8.2010	3	50	Part-discussed

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17.	Situation arising out of increasing atrocities against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country.	Shri Gopinath Munde	19.8.2010 30.8.2010	6	02	
18.	Statement made by the Minister of Home Affairs in the House on 4 August 2010 regarding the situation in Jammu & Kashmir.	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	26.8.2010	3	48	Part-discussed
19.	Flood and Drought situation in the country.	Shri Navjot Singh Sidhu	27.8.2010 30.8.2010	3	20	
		SIXTH SESSION				
		- NIL -				
		SEVENTH SESSION				
20.	Statement made by the Prime Minister on 18 March 2011 regarding the newspaper report on payment of 'cash for votes'	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	23.3.2011	4	34	
21.	Need to Uplift the Socio-Economic and Educational Status of Minorities in the country.	Shri Sk. Saidul Haque	24.3.2011 25.3.2011	4	14	
22.	Situation arising out of widespread discontent-ment among the working class due to faulty Government Policies	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	24.3.2011	0	01	Part-discussed
		EIGHTH SESSION				
23.	Statement laid on the Table of Lok Sabha on 2 August 2011 by the Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports regarding the Common-wealth Games (CWG), 2010.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	09.08.2011	2	06	Part-discussed
24.	Statement made by the Prime Minister regarding setting up of Lok Pal and certain events that took place on 16.8.2011 in New Delhi.	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	17.08.2011	5	15	
25.	The steps taken by the Government of India for relief and resettlement of Tamils in Sri Lanka and other measures to promote their welfare.	Shri Thalikkottai Rajuthevar Baalu	16.08.2011 25.08.2011 26.08.2011	4	24	

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26.	Situation arising out of widespread corruption in the country.	Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi	24.08.2011 25.08.2011	6	10	
27.	@Statement made by the Finance Minister on the issues relating to setting up of a Lok Pal.	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	27.8.2011	8	16	
		NINTH SESSION				
28.	Discussion on the Statement laid on the Table on 22 November 2011 by the Minister of Finance regarding the inflation situation in India.	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	8.12.2011 9.12.2011	5	42	
29.	Situation arising out of the threat being posed to the very existence of River Ganga and the Himalayas due to their ruthless exploitation.	Kunwar Rewati Raman Singh	19.12.2011	3	27	
30.	Agrarian crisis in the country and the incidence of suicides by farmers.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	22.12.2011	0	15	Part-discussed.
		TENTH SESSION				
31.	Situation arising out of widespread discontentment among the working class due to faulty Government policies.	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	24.3.2011 (7th Session) 19.3.2012	0 4	01 38	
32.	Need to bring comprehensive policy changes in the Civil Aviation sector due to large scale mismanagement in the affairs of national carrier, *i.e.*, Air India and also some other private carriers and need to look into the problems being faced by the workforce engaged in the civil aviation sector.	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	10.5.2012 15.5.2012	5	20	
33.	Steps taken by the Government to protect the river Ganga from pollution and the Himalayas from ruthless exploitation since the discussion on the subject was last held during the Ninth Session of current Lok Sabha.	Kunwar Rewati Raman Singh	14.5.2012 17.5.2012	4	20	

@Proceedings of the debate were sent to Rajya Sabha with the request to forward the proceeding to the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice for the perusal while formulating its recommendations for Lokpal.

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34.	Situation arising out of faulty policy for procurement of foodgrains and inadequate facilities for their storage.	Shri Sharad Yadav	18.5.2012	0	32	Part-discussed
35.	Centre-State relations.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	21.5.2012	1	24	Part-discussed
		ELEVENTH SESSION				
36.	Increase in Naxalite and Maoist activities in the country.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	17.12.2009 (3rd Session) 14.8.2012	0 1	11 51	Part-discussed
37.	Flood and drought situation in various parts of the country	Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh	22.8.2012	0	02	Part-discussed
		TWELFTH SESSION				
38.	Need for uniform education system in the country.	Shri Shailendra Kumar	13.12.2012	2	00	Part-discussed
		THIRTEENTH SESSION				
39.	Situation arising due to drought and hailstorms in various parts of the country.	Shri Shailendra Kumar	26.2.2013	3	28	Part-discussed
40.	Plight of Tamils in Sri Lanka.	Shri Thalikkottai Rajuthevar Baalu	7.3.2013	4	06	
		FOURTEENTH SESSION				
41.	Economic situation in the country	Shri Gurudas Dasgupta	27.8.2013 30.8.2013	4	28	
42.	Statement made by the Minister of Defence on 6.8.2013 regarding Government of India's response and measures taken for relief and reconstruction in the wake of Natural Disaster in Uttarakhand.	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	4.9.2013	3	41	
		FIFTEENTH SESSION				
43.		- NIL -				
		Special Sitting of Lok Sabha to Commemorate 60th Anniversary of First Sitting of Parliament				
1.	Sixty years journey of the Indian Parliament	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	13.5.2012	5	35	After discussion was over and valedictory reference made, a Resolution moved by the Speaker was unanimously passed.

STATEMENT 38

Motions under Rules 191 and 342 held during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Brief Subject	Motion under Rule	Name of member	Date(s) of discussion	Time Taken		Remarks
					Hrs.	Mts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6		7
1.	*"That this House recommends to the President that the Proclamation issued on 19 January 2009 under Article 356 of the Constitution in relation to the State of Jharkhand be revoked."	191	Sh. Arjun Munda	14.7.2009	2	13	Negatived
2.	"That a Joint Committee of the Houses to be called the Joint Committee on Offices of Profit be constituted consisting of fifteen members, ten from this House and five from the Rajya Sabha, who shall be elected from amongst the members of each House in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote: That the functions of the Joint Committee shall be– (i) to examine the composition and character of all existing "committees" [other than those examined by the Joint Committee to which the Parliament (Prevention of Disqualification) Bill, 1957 was referred] and all "committees" that may hereafter be constituted, membership of which may disqualify a person for being chosen as, and for being, a member of either House of Parliament under Article 102 of the Constitution; (ii) to recommend in relation to the "committees" examined by it what offices should disqualify and what offices should not disqualify; (iii) to scrutinize, from time to time, the Schedule to the Parliament (Prevention of Disqualification) Act, 1959, and to recommend any amendments in the said Schedule, whether by way of	191	Sh. Bijoy Krishna Handique	27.7.2009	0	02	Adopted

*Discussed together with the Statutory Resolution for extension of President's Rule in Jharkhand; the General Discussion on the Budget for the State of Jharkhand for 2009-2010, and the Demands for Grants in respect of Budget (Jharkhand) for 2009-10.

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	addition, omission or otherwise; That the Joint Committee shall, from time to time, report to both Houses of Parliament in respect of all or any of the aforesaid matters; That the members of the Joint Committee shall hold office for the duration of the present Lok Sabha; That in order to constitute a sitting of the Joint Committee, the quorum shall be one-third of the total number of members of the Committee; That in other respects, the rules of procedure of this House relating to Parliamentary Committees will apply with such variations and modifications as the Speaker may make; and That this House recommends to the Rajya Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do join in the said Joint Committee and do communicate to this House the names of the Members to be appointed by the Rajya Sabha to the Joint Committee."						
3.	That this House do consider the inflationary pressure on the economy and its adverse impact on the common man.	342	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	3.8.2010 4.8.2010	8	54	After conclusion of discussion on the Motion a Resolution placed before the House by the Speaker was unanimously adopted.
4.	That this House do consider the issues of Population Stabilisation in the country.	342	Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad	4.8.2010	5	53	Discussion concluded.
5.	"That a Joint Committee of both the Houses consisting of 30 Members — 20 from Lok Sabha and 10 from Rajya Sabha be appointed: (i) To examine policy prescriptions and their interpretation hereafter by successive Governments, including decisions of the Union Cabinet and the consequences thereof, in the allocation and pricing of telecom licences and spectrum from 1998 to 2009;	191	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	24.2.2011	3	42	Adopted

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(ii) To examine irregularities and aberrations, if any, and the consequences thereof in the implementation of Government decisions and policy prescriptions from 1998 to 2009; and

(iii) To make recommendations to ensure formulation of appropriate procedures for implementation of laid down policy in the allocation and pricing of telecom licences.

(a) That the Committee shall have the following 20 members of the Lok Sabha as its members:—

1. Shri V. Kishore Chandra S. Deo
2. Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar
3. Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal
4. Shri Deepender Singh Hooda
5. Shri P.C. Chacko
6. Shri Manish Tewari
7. Shri Nirmal Khatri
8. Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury
9. Shri T.R. Baalu
10. Shri Kalyan Banerjee
11. Shri Jaswant Singh
12. Shri Yashwant Sinha
13. Shri Harin Pathak
14. Shri Gopinath Munde
15. Shri Sharad Yadav
16. Shri Dara Singh Chauhan
17. Shri Akhilesh Yadav
18. Shri Gurudas Dasgupta
19. Shri Arjun Charan Sethi
20. Dr. M. Thambi Durai

(b) That the Speaker will nominate one of the members of the Committee to be its Chairman.

(c) That the Committee shall start functioning from the day it is duly constituted.

(d) That the Committee shall be provided all assistance by the Government and other agencies.

(e) That in order to constitute a sitting of the Joint Committee, the quorum shall be one-third of the total number of members of the Joint Committee.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	(f) That the Joint Committee shall make a report to this House by the end of the next session of Parliament. (g) That in other respects, the Rules of Procedure of this House relating to the Parliamentary Committees shall apply with such variations and modifications as the Speaker may make. (h) That this House recommends to the Rajya Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do join the Committee and communicate to this House the names of ten Members appointed from amongst the members of the Rajya Sabha to the Committee as mentioned above."						
6.	"That despite repeated discussions on price rise in the House, the burden of price rise on the common man is continuing. Expressing deep concern over price rise, this House calls upon the Government to take immediate effective steps to check inflation that will give relief to the common man."	191	Shri Yashwant Sinha	03.08.2011 04.08.2011	07	16	Adopted (Amendments tabled-2, Amendments moved -1, Amendments adopted-nil)
7.	"(1) (a) That a Committee of both the Houses, to be called the Committee for Welfare of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) be constituted, consisting of thirty members, twenty from Lok Sabha and ten from Rajya Sabha, to be elected in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote; (b) That a Minister shall not be eligible for election as a Member of the Committee and that if a Member after his election to the Committee is appointed a Minister, he shall cease to be a Member thereof from the date of such appointment;	191	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	21.12.2011	0	05	Adopted

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(c) That the Chairperson of the Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker from amongst the Members of the Committee;

(2) That the functions of the Committee shall be:—

(i) To consider the reports submitted by the National Commission for Backward Classes set up under the National Commission for Backward Classes Act, 1993 and to report to both the Houses as to the measures that should be taken by the Union Government in respect of matters within the purview of the Union Government including the Administrations of the Union Territories;

(ii) To report to both the Houses on the action taken by the Union Government and the Administrations of the Union Territories on the measures proposed by the Committee;

(iii) To examine the measures taken by the Union Government to secure due representation of the Other Backward Classes, particularly the Most Backward Classes, in services and posts under its control (including appointments in the public sector undertakings, statutory and semi-Government Bodies and in the Union Territories) having regard to the provisions of the Constitution;

(iv) To report to both the Houses on the working of the welfare programmes for the Other Backward Classes in the Union Territories;

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	(v) To consider generally and to report to both the Houses on all matters concerning the welfare of the Other Backward Classes which fall within the purview of Union Government including the Administrations of Union Territories; and (vi) To examine such of matters as may deem fit to the Committee or are specifically referred to it by the House or the Speaker. (3) That the members of the Committee shall hold office for a period of one year from the date of the first meeting of the Committee which shall be reconstituted thereafter for one year at a time according to the procedure described in para (1) above; (4) That in order to constitute a sitting of the Committee the quorum shall be ten; (5) That in all other respects the Rules of Procedure of this House relating to Parliamentary Committees shall apply with such variations and modifications as the Speaker may make; and (6) That this House do recommend to the Rajya Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do join in the Committee and communicate to this House the names of Members elected from amongst the Members of the Rajya Sabha to the Committee as mentioned above."					
8.	@That this House recommends to the Government to immediately withdraw its decision to allow 51% Foreign Direct Investment in multi-brand retail trade.	191	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	4.12.2012 5.12.2012	10	45	Negatived

@Discussed together with the two Motions for Modification of Notification [G.S.R. 795(E) dated the 19 October, 2012] made under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, moved by Prof. Saugata Roy and Shri Hassan Khan, respectively.

STATEMENT 38A

Motions for Modification of Statutory Rules and Regulations

S.No.	Brief Subject	Name of Member who moved	Date of moving and discussion	Time taken H	Time taken M	Remarks
1.	Motion for Modification of Notification [G.S.R. 795(E) dated the 19 October 2012] made under the Foreign Exchange Management Act,1999 (42 of 1999) and laid on the Table of Lok Sabha on 30 November 2012.	Prof. Saugata Roy	4.12.2012	*10	45	Negatived
2.	Motion for Modification of Notification [G.S.R. 795(E) dated the 19 October 2012] made under the Foreign Exchange Management Act,1999 (42 of 1999) and laid on the Table of Lok Sabha on 30 November 2012.	Shri Hassan Khan	4.12.2012			Motion was not put to vote of the House as its text was covered by the motion moved by Prof. Saugata Roy on which the House had already given its decision.

*Motions, discussed together with the Motion under Rule 184, recommending to the Government to immediately withdraw its decision to allow 51% Foreign Direct Investment in multi-brand retail trade, moved by Smt. Sushma Swaraj.

STATEMENT 39

Half-an-Hour discussions held during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Name of Member who raised the discussion	Subject	Date of discussion
1.	Dr. Kavuri Samba Siva Rao	Inter-linking of rivers	02.12.2009
2.	Sh. Rudra Madhab Ray	Availability of Fertilizers	30.08.2010
3.	Sh. Raju Shetti	Tourism Policy	23.03.2011
4.	Smt. Jyoti Dhruve	Priority sector lending to SC/ST	24.03.2011
5.	Sh. Jagadanand Singh	Demand and Supply of Power	29.08.2011
6.	Sh. Arjun Ram Meghwal	Agriculture profession	21.05.2012
7.	Sh. Shailendra Kumar	Compensation to farmers to crop loss	06.09.2013

STATEMENT 40

Resolutions Discussed in the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

A. GOVERNMENT RESOLUTIONS

Sl.No.	Subject-Matter of the Resolution	Name of Minister/ Member who moved the Resolution	Date(s) on which the Resolution was discussed	Time taken		Decision of the House
				H	M	
1	2	3	4	5		6
First Session						
		Nil				
Second Session						
		Nil				
Third Session						
1.	That this House do resolve that a Parliamentary Committee consisting of twelve Members of this House, to be nominated by the Speaker, be appointed to review the Rate of Dividend which is at present payable by the Indian Railways to the General Revenues as well as other ancillary matters in connection with Railway Finance *vis-a-vis* General Finance and to make recommendations thereon.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	15.12.2009			
2.	That this House do recommend to the Rajya Sabha to agree to associate six Members from the Rajya Sabha with the Parliamentary Committee to review the Rate of Dividend which is at present payable by the Indian Railways to the General Revenues as well as other ancillary matters in connection with Railway Finance *vis-a-vis* the General Finance and to make recommendations thereon, and to communicate the names of the Members so appointed to this House.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	15.12.2009	0	02	Adopted
Fourth Session						
		Nil				
Fifth Session						
		Nil				
Sixth Session						
		Nil				

1	2	3	4	5	6
Seventh Session					
3.	*That this House approves the recommendations contained in Paras 55, 56, 57, 58 and 62 of the First Report of the Railway Convention Committee (2009), appointed to review the rate of dividend payable by the Railway Undertaking to General Revenues etc., which was presented to Lok Sabha on 10 December 2010.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	7.3.2011	02	29* Adopted
Eighth Session					
		Nil			
Ninth Session					
		Nil			
Tenth Session					
4.	That this House approves the recommendations contained in Paras 75, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82 and 84 of the Second Report of the Railway Convention Committee (2009), appointed to review the rate of dividend payable by the Railway Undertaking to General Revenues, etc., which was presented in both the Houses of Parliament on 30 August 2011.	Shri Mukul Roy	22.3.2012	00	02 Adopted
Eleventh Session					
		Nil			
Twelfth Session					
		Nil			
Thirteenth Session					
5.	*That this House approves the recommendations contained in Paras 3, 74, 75, 76, 77, 79, 80, 81 and 82 of the Third Report of the Railway Convention Committee (2009), appointed to review the rate of dividend payable by the Railway Undertaking to General Revenues, etc., which was presented in both the Houses of Parliament on 18 May 2012.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	13.3.2013	14	40@ Adopted
Fourteenth Session					
		Nil			

* Discussed together with the further discussion on the Budget (Railways) for 2011-12 and further discussion on the Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) for 2010-11.

@ Discussed together with the Budget (Railways) 2013-14; Demands for Grants on Account (Railways) 2013-14; Supplementary Demands for Grants (Railways) 2012-13; and Demands for Excess Grants (Railways) 2010-11.

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Fifteenth Session						
6.	*That this House approves the recommendations contained in Paras 76, 77, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86 of the Sixth Report of the Railway Convention Committee (2009), appointed to review the rate of dividend payable by the Railway Undertaking to General Revenues, etc., which was presented in both the Houses of Parliament on 8 May 2013.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	17.2.2014	0	23*	Adopted
		B. STATUTORY RESOLUTIONS				
First Session						
		NIL				
Second Session						
1.	@That this House approves the continuance in force of the Proclamation, dated the 19 January 2009 in respect of the State of Jharkhand, issued under Article 356 of the Constitution by the President, for a further period of six months with effect from the 19 July 2009.	Shri P. Chidambaram	14.07.2009	2	10	Adopted
Third Session						
2.	**That this House disapproves of the Essential Commodities (Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2009 (No. 9 of 2009) promulgated by the President on 21 October 2009.	Shri Raju Shetti	9.12.2009 10.12.2009	3	57	Negatived
Fourth Session						
3.	#That this House disapproves of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2010 (No. 1 of 2010) promulgated by the President on 23 January 2010.	Shri Ramesh Bais	15.3.2010	2	52	Withdrawn
Fifth Session						
4.	That this House approves the Proclamation issued by the President on the 1 June 2010 under Article 356(1) of the Constitution in relation to the State of Jharkhand.	Shri Ajay Maken	29.7.2010	0	02	Adopted
5.	^That this House disapproves of the Securities and Insurance Laws (Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2010 (No. 3 of 2010) promulgated by the President on the 18 June 2010.	Shri Prabodh Panda	2.8.2010	2	11	Withdrawn

* Discussed together with General Discussion on Interim Budget (Railways) 2014-15, Demands for Grants in respect of Interim Budget (Railways) 2014-2015 and Supplementary Demands for Grants in respect of Budget (Railways) for 2013-14.
@ Discussed together with the Demands for Grants (Jharkhand) for 2009-10.
** Discussed together with Motion for consideration of the Essential Commodities (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2009.
# Discussed together with Motion for consideration of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2010.
^ Discussed together with Motion for consideration of the Securities and Insurance Laws (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2010.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6.	*That this House disapproves of the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2010 (No. 2 of 2010) promulgated by the President on the 15 May 2010.	Shri Prabodh Panda	20.8.2010	0	58	Negatived
Sixth Session						
		NIL				
Seventh Session						
		NIL				
Eighth Session						
		NIL				
Ninth Session						
		NIL				
Tenth Session						
		NIL				
Eleventh Session						
		NIL				
Twelfth Session						
		NIL				
Thirteenth Session						
7.	That this House approves the Proclamation issued by the President on the 18 January 2013 under article 356(1) of the Constitution in relation to the State of Jharkhand.	Shri Sushil Kumar Sambhajirao Shinde	13.3.2013	1	16	Adopted
8.	@That this House disapproves of the Criminal Law (Amendment) Ordinance, 2013 (No.3 of 2013) promulgated by the President on 3 February 2013.	Dr. Bhola Singh	19.3.2013	5	40	Negatived
Fourteenth Session						
9.	#That this House disapproves of the National Food Security Ordinance, 2013 (No. 7 of 2013) promulgated by the President on 5 July 2013.	Shri Prabodh Panda	13.8.2013 14.8.2013 26.8.2013	8	45	Withdrawn
10.	$That this House disapproves of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Amendment) Second Ordinance, 2013 (No. 5 of 2013) promulgated by the President on 29 May, 2013.	Prof. Sk. Saidul Haque	27.8.2013	0	54	Withdrawn

* Discussed together with Motion for consideration of the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Bill, 2010.
@ Discussed together with Motion for consideration of the Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2013.
# Discussed together with motion for consideration of the National Food Security Bill, 2013.
$ Discussed together with motion for consideration of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Amendment) Bill, 2013.

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Fifteenth Session						
11.	@In pursuance of Section 8A of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, read with sub-section (3) of section 7 of the said Act, this House hereby approves of Notification No. 44/2013-Customs, dated 17 September 2013 [G.S.R.635(E). dated 17 September 2013] which seeks to increase the basic customs duty (BCD) on (a) articles of jewellery and parts thereof, of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal; and (b) articles of goldsmiths' or silversmiths' wares and parts thereof, of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal falling under CTH 7113 or 7114 from 10% to 15% by amending the statutory rate.	Shri P. Chidambaram	12.12.2013	0	04	Adopted
12.	That this House approves the Order issued under Article 239AB of the Constitution by the President on the 16th February, 2014 read with section 50 of the GNCTD Act, 1991 and clauses (2) and (3) of Article 356 of the Constitution in relation to the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi.	Shri Mullapally Ramachandran	20.2.2014	0	01	Adopted

@Discussed together with the Supplementary Demands for Grants (General) 2013-2014.

C. RESOLUTIONS PLACED BEFORE THE HOUSE BY THE SPEAKER

Sl.No.	Subject-Matter of the Resolution	Date of placing before the House	Time taken		Decision of the House
			H	M	
1	2	3	4	5	6
First Session					
		NIL			
Second Session					
		NIL			
Third Session					
1.	Today is the 1st anniversary of the terrorist attack in Mumbai which resulted in huge loss of innocent lives of Indian citizens as well as of foreign nationals. Terrorism is the gravest threat to humanity and a total negation of values which man holds dear. Mindless violence unleashed by the terrorists has devastated countless number of families. Terrorism has no justification whatsoever in a civilized world and it is the duty of every country which wants to see peace and progress to resist and defeat these dark forces of terrorism. This House shares the sorrow and grief of all those families who have lost their near and dear ones in the terrorist attacks.	26.11.2009	0	04	Adopted

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	Realising the global network of terrorists and their unlimited resources, sophisticated arms and training and also their diabolic mindset there is an urgent need to mobilize the resources and coordinate actions by all countries to track down and eliminate these enemies of mankind. This House is of the firm view that with strong will and determined action we will be able to effectively counter terrorism. The House salutes the indomitable courage of the security forces who gave a crushing blow to the terrorists on 26 November 2008 and the fortitude of the people of Mumbai and urges upon the Government to take all steps necessary to wipe out the scourge of terrorism from our country. On this day the House resolves that we will unitedly fight and defeat the forces of terrorism and never again allow them to spill the blood of innocent people.				
Fourth Session					
		NIL			
Fifth Session					
2.	*This House, having considered the inflationary pressure on the economy of the country, urges upon the Government to take further effective action to contain its adverse impact on the common man.	3.8.2010 4.8.2010	0	01	Adopted
Sixth Session					
		NIL			
Seventh Session					
		NIL			
Eighth Session					
		NIL			
Ninth Session					
		NIL			
Tenth Session					
		NIL			
Eleventh Session					
		NIL			
Twelfth Session					
		NIL			

*The Resolution was placed before the House by the Speaker after conclusion of the discussion on the Motion under Rule 342 regarding inflationary pressure on the economy and its adverse impact on the common man.

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	Special sitting of Lok Sabha to commemorate 60th Anniversary of first sitting of Parliament				
	We, the Members of Lok Sabha, meeting in a special sitting of the Lok Sabha to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament: Remembering with gratitude, the immense sacrifices made by our freedom fighters in the nation's struggle for independence, and the stellar role played by the founding fathers of the Constitution in mandating equality, fraternity, justice, brotherhood of mankind and the uplift of under-privileged and down-trodden sections of society; Acknowledging with satisfaction and pride, the maturity of the people of India, who have cherished the democratic values and worked ceaselessly for the unity and integrity of the nation; Noting that in the last sixty years, the Parliament has, through epoch making laws, taken decisive steps towards ensuring equity and justice in all matters and establishing an inclusive society in pursuance of our deep faith and commitment to the ideals enshrined in the Preamble to the Constitution, and a lot more remains to be accomplished; Do hereby solemnly reaffirm our total and binding commitment to the ideals cherished by our founding fathers, and resolve: (a) To uphold and maintain the dignity, sanctity and supremacy of Parliament; (b) To make Parliament an effective instrument of change and to strengthen democratic values and principles; (c) To enhance the accountability of Government towards the people through the oversight of Parliament; and (d) To rededicate ourselves completely to the sacred task of Nation Building. The Resolution was unanimously adopted.	13.5.2012	05	35	A special sitting of Lok Sabha was held on 13 May 2012 to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the first sitting of Parliament of India. At the sitting, the subject "Sixty years journey of the Indian Parliament" was discussed. After the discussion was over and valedictory reference made, Speaker placed a Resolution before the House; and the Resolution was unanimously passed.
	Thirteenth Session				
3.	This House totally rejects the Resolution passed by the National Assembly of Pakistan on 14 March 2013. The House notes that Pakistan has committed that it would not allow its territory to be used for terrorism against India and only fulfilment of this commitment can be the basis for peaceful relations with Pakistan. The House rejects interference in the internal affairs of India and calls upon the National Assembly of Pakistan to desist from such acts of support for extremist and terrorist elements. The House reiterates that the entire State of Jammu and Kashmir including the territory under illegal occupation of Pakistan is and shall always be an integral part of India. Any attempt from any quarter to interfere in the internal affairs of India will be met resolutely and with complete unity of our nation.	15.3.2013	0	06	Adopted
4.	This House expresses its deep sense of shock and sorrow on the sad demise of Shri Sarabjit Singh, an Indian citizen in Jinnah Hospital, Lahore in Pakistan today after he was brutally assaulted by his fellow inmates in a Pakistan jail. This House condemns the inhuman treatment meted out to Shri Sarabjit Singh in Pakistan jail and hopes that the culprits will be brought to book. The House deeply mourns the demise of Shri Sarabjit Singh and I am sure the House would join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved family.	2.5.2013	0	02	Adopted

1	2	3	4	5	6
Fourteenth Session					
5.	This House rejects and deplores the Resolutions passed by the National Assembly of Pakistan on 13 August 2013 and of the Provincial Assembly of Punjab which make absolutely baseless and unfounded allegations against the Indian Army and the people of India. There should be absolutely no doubt in any one's mind including members of the Pakistan National Assembly that it was the Pakistan Army that was involved in the unprovoked attack on an Indian army patrol on our side of the LoC on 6 August 2013. It is unfortunate that Pakistan chose to indulge in such unprovoked attacks at a time when efforts were being made to establish a long lasting framework of peaceful, friendly and cooperative ties so that both countries may henceforth devote their resources and energies to the pressing task of advancing the welfare of their people. India is not a threat to Pakistan or the people of Pakistan. It is the terrorist groups that have been nurtured by Pakistan to target India and have become the biggest threat to peace in the region. This House also strongly condemns the action of the Pakistan Army and reiterates once again that the entire State of Jammu and Kashmir including the territory forcibly and illegally occupied by Pakistan is an integral part of India and will always remain so. India upholds the sanctity of the Line of Control and calls upon the Government of Pakistan to abide by the ceasefire commitment of 2003 along the international border and Line of Control both in letter and spirit. This House pays tribute to the courage and valour of the Indian Armed Force personnel who laid down their lives while upholding the sanctity of the Line of Control. Our restraint should not be taken for granted nor should the capacity of our Armed Forces to ensure the territorial integrity of our nation.	14.8.2013	0	03	Adopted

C. PRIVATE MEMBERS' RESOLUTIONS DISCUSSED IN FIFTEENTH LOK SABHA

Sl.No.	Subject-Matter of the Resolution	Name of the Member who moved the Resolution	Date(s) on which the Resolution was discussed	Time taken		Decision of the House
				H	M	
1	2	3	4	5		6
First Session						
		Nil				

1	2	3	4	5	6
	Second Session				
1.	Having regard to the geographical conditions of Himalayan region, which cause landslides, cloudbursts, earthquakes, hailstorms and other natural calamities resulting in huge loss of lives and property and also taking into consideration the high cost of construction of roads, buildings and other development works due to mountainous terrain and the socio-economic backwardness of the region, this House urges upon the Government to constitute a Board to be known as the 'National Board for the Development of Himalayan States' with full financial assistance of the Union Government for– (i) all-round and speedy development of the States comprising the Himalayan region; (ii) monitoring the implementation of existing Central Schemes and programmes in these States; and (iii) suggesting measures to minimize the effect of natural calamities in the said region.	Shri Virender Kashyap	03.07.2009 10.07.2009	4	39	Withdrawn
2.	Having regard to the fact that there is a serious crisis of availability of drinking water in various parts of the country, particularly in Pauri Garhwal, Chamoli, Rudraprayag, Tehri Garhwal and Nainital Districts in the State of Uttarakhand and that the centrally sponsored drinking water schemes like *Swajaldhara* and Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) are not being implemented and monitored properly, this House urges upon the Government to formulate and implement a time bound comprehensive action plan at national level to overcome the problem of drinking water.	Shri Satpal Maharaj	10.7.2009 30.7.2009	2	40	Discussion not concluded
	Third Session				
3.	Having regard to the fact that there is a serious crisis of availability of drinking water in various parts of the country, particularly in Pauri Garhwal, Chamoli, Rudraprayag, Tehri Garhwal and Nainital Districts in the State of Uttarakhand and that the centrally sponsored drinking water schemes like *Swajaldhara* and Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) are not being implemented and monitored properly, this House urges upon the Government to formulate and implement a time bound comprehensive action plan at national level to overcome the problem of drinking water.	Shri Satpal Maharaj	11.12.2009	0	56	Withdrawn

1	2	3	4	5	6
4.	Considering the socio-economic backwardness of the eastern districts of the State of Uttar Pradesh, also known as the Poorvanchal region, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to formulate and implement a special economic development package for the region on the lines of package announced for Bundelkhand region.	Rajkumari Ratna Singh	11.12.2009	1 35	Discussion not concluded
Fourth Session					
5.	Considering the socio-economic backwardness of the eastern districts of the State of Uttar Pradesh, also known as the Poorvanchal region, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to formulate and implement a special economic development package for the region on the lines of package announced for Bundelkhand region.	Rajkumari Ratna Singh	21.4.2010	2 32	Withdrawn
6.	This House expresses its serious concern over the plight of persons living below poverty line and urges upon the Government to take the following steps in a time bound manner to eradicate poverty from the country by the year 2015:— (i) identify the families living below poverty line in all the States; (ii) provide vocational training and thereafter gainful employment to at least one member of every such family; (iii) provide family pension at the rate of not less than rupees three thousand per month to every such family, where gainful employment is not provided to any member of that family; and (iv) provide quality education upto senior secondary level to all children belonging to such families, free of cost.	Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	21.4.2010	0 02	Discussion not concluded
Fifth Session					
7.	This House expresses its serious concern over the plight of persons living below poverty line and urges upon the Government to take the following steps in a time bound manner to eradicate poverty from the country by the year 2015:— (i) identify the families living below poverty line in all the States;	Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	06.8.2010 21.8.2010	4 55	Withdrawn

1	2	3	4	5	6
	(ii) provide vocational training and thereafter gainful employment to at least one member of every such family; (iii) provide family pension at the rate of not less than rupees three thousand per month to every such family, where gainful employment is not provided to any member of that family; and (iv) provide quality education upto senior secondary level to all children belonging to such families, free of cost.				
8.	This House urges upon the Government to accord special status to the State of Bihar with a view to accelerate the pace of development in the State and enable it to overcome its backwardness.	Dr. Bhola Singh	21.8.2010	0	05 Discussion not concluded
Sixth Session					
		NIL*			
Seventh Session					
9.	This House urges upon the Government to accord special status to the State of Bihar with a view to accelerate the pace of development in the State and enable it to overcome its backwardness.	Dr. Bhola Singh	18.3.2011	0	01 Discussion not concluded
Eighth Session					
10.	This House urges upon the Government to accord special status to the State of Bihar with a view to accelerate the pace of development in the State and enable it to overcome its backwardness.	Dr. Bhola Singh	12.8.2011 26.8.2011	4	34 Withdrawn
11.	This House expresses its deep concern over the backwardness prevailing in the desert regions of the Country and urges upon the Government to prepare and implement a special economic package for:— (i) overall development of desert regions, on the lines of the economic package provided to the North-eastern States to mitigate the problems being faced by the people living in desert regions; and (ii) enabling the people of these regions to achieve a level of socio-economic development at par with the people living in other parts of the country.	Shri Harish Chaudhary	26.8.2011	0	27 Discussion not concluded
Ninth Session					
		NIL*			

*Private Members' Business (Resolutions) was not transacted during the Sixth and Ninth Sessions.

1	2	3	4	5	6
	Tenth session				
12.	This House expresses its deep concern over the backwardness prevailing in the desert regions of the Country and urges upon the Government to prepare and implement a special economic package for:— (i) overall development of desert regions on the lines of the economic package provided to the North-eastern States to mitigate the problems being faced by the people living in desert regions; and (ii) enabling the people of these regions to achieve a level of socio-economic development at par with the people living in other parts of the country.	Shri Harish Chaudhary	04.05.2012 18.05.2012	2	50	Negatived
13.	Having regard to the growing need for higher education in the State of Bihar, this House urges upon the Government to set up a Central University in the Motihari District of the State of Bihar, which has also been the 'Karmabhoomi' of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of our Nation.	Shri Om Prakash Yadav	18.5.2012	2	08	Discussion not concluded
	Eleventh Session				
14.	Having regard to the growing need for higher education in the State of Bihar, this House urges upon the Government to set up a Central University in the Motihari District of the State of Bihar, which has also been the 'Karmabhoomi' of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of our Nation.	Shri Om Prakash Yadav	17.8.2012	1	00	Negatived
15.	This House expresses its serious concern over the rising incidents of violation of Human Rights in various parts of the country and urges upon the Government to take effective steps to curb the occurrence of such incidents.	Shri Basudeb Acharia	17.8.2012	1	18	Negatived
16.	Taking into account the problems being faced by the persons migrated from Pakistan to India and settled in various parts of the country, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to grant them citizenship and formulate a time bound action plan to extend them facilities as are available to other citizens of the country.	Shri Arjun Meghwal	17.8.2012	0	02	Discussion not concluded
	Twelfth Session				
17.	Taking into account the problems being faced by the persons migrated from Pakistan to India and settled in various parts of the country, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to grant them citizenship and formulate a time bound action plan to extend them facilities as are available to other citizens of the country.	Shri Arjun Meghwal	30.11.2012 14.12.2012	2	35	Discussion not concluded

1	2	3	4	5	6
Thirteenth Session					
18.	Taking into account the problems being faced by the persons migrated from Pakistan to India and settled in various parts of the country, this House urges upon the Government to take immediate steps to grant them citizenship and formulate a time bound action plan to extend them facilities as are available to other citizens of the country.	Shri Arjun Meghwal	15.3.2013	1 02	Negatived
19.	This House expresses its serious concern over consistent increase in the rate of inflation and consequent rise in the prices of essential commodities and urges upon the Government to take effective steps to control the rising prices of essential commodities and strengthen and universalize the Public Distribution System.	Shri Mahendra Kumar Roy	15.3.2013	1 25	Discussion not concluded
Fourteenth Session					
		NIL*			
Fifteenth Session					
		NIL*			

*Private Members' Business (Resolutions) was not transacted during the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Sessions.

STATEMENT 41

Matters raised under Rule 377 during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Session	Total Number of Matters raised	Total Time Taken	
			Hrs.	Mts.
1	2	3	4	
1.	First Session (01.06.2009 to 09.06.2009)	37	00	02
2.	Second Session (02.07.2009 to 07.08.2009)	322	00	24
3.	Third Session (19.11.2009 to 18.12.2009)	185	01	38
4.	Fourth Session (22.02.2010 to 07.05.2010)	312	00	38
5.	Fifth Session (26.07.2010 to 31.08.2010)	276	00	19
6.	Sixth Session (09.11.2010 to 13.12.2010)	259	00	46

1	2	3	4	
7.	Seventh Session (22.02.2011 to 25.03.2011)	251	00	16
8.	Eighth Session (01.08.2011 to 08.09.2011)	325	00	20
9.	Ninth Session (22.11.2011 to 29.12.2011)	314	00	22
10.	Tenth Session (12.03.2012 to 22.05.2012)	434	00	28
11.	Eleventh Session (08.08.2012 to 07.09.2012)	213	00	14
12.	Twelfth Session (22.11.2012 to 20.12.2012)	244	00	15
13.	Thirteenth Session (21.02.2013 to 08.05.2013)	377	00	24
14.	Fourteenth Session (05.08.2013 to 06.09.2013)	275	00	17
15.	Fifteenth Session (05.12.2013 to 21.02.2014)	195	00	16
	Total	4019	06	339

STATEMENT 42

Points of Order (Session-wise) raised during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Session	No. of Points Order raised	Points of Order upheld by the Chair	Points of Order overruled by the Chair	Points of Order on which no ruling was given	Total time Taken	
						Hrs.	Mts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1.	First Session	01	00	01	00	0	01
2.	Second Session	07	01	03	03	0	14
3.	Third Session	08	00	05	03	0	10
4.	Fourth Session	06	02	01	03	0	06
5.	Fifth Session	07	01	02	04	0	14
6.	Sixth Session	02	01	01	00	0	02
7.	Seventh Session	09	01	02	06	0	11
8.	Eighth Session	07	00	03	04	0	13
9.	Ninth Session	02	00	01	01	0	11
10.	Tenth Session	01	01	00	00	0	03
11.	Eleventh Session	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	
12.	Twelfth Session	04	00	04	00	0	45

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
13.	Thirteenth Session	02	01	01	00	0	36
14.	Fourteenth Session	02	00	02	00	0	13
15.	Fifteenth Session	03	00	02	01	0	18
	Total	61	08	28	25	3	17

STATEMENT 43

Matters of Urgent Public Importance raised after Question Hour (Zero Hour) during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Session	Number of Matters raised	Number of Members who spoke	Total Time taken	
				Hrs.	Mts.
1.	First Session (01.06.2009 to 09.06.2009)	08	12	0	25
2.	Second Session (02.07.2009 to 07.08.2009)	280	362	14	16
3.	Third Session (19.11.2009 to 18.12.2009)	224	286	10	41
4.	Fourth Session (22.02.2010 to 07.05.2010)	213	298	10	28
5.	Fifth Session (26.07.2010 to 31.08.2010)	314	450	16	33
6.	Sixth Session (09.11.2010 to 13.12.2010)	23	27	01	48
7.	Seventh Session (21.02.2011 to 25.03.2011)	366	554	17	21
8.	Eighth Session (01.08.2011 to 08.09.2011)	307	518	13	17
9.	Ninth Session (22.11.2011 to 29.12.2011)	169	320	06	45
10.	Tenth Session (12.03.2012 to 22.05.2012)	634	1159	25	07
11.	Eleventh Session (08.08.2012 to 07.09.2012)	70	196	03	15
12.	Twelfth Session (22.11.2012 to 20.12.2012)	135	285	06	34
13.	Thirteenth Session (21.02.2013 to 08.05.2013)	244	417	10	01
14.	Fourteenth Session (05.08.2013 to 06.09.2013)	190	558	11	14
15.	Fifteenth Session (i) 05.12.2013 to 18.12.2013 (ii) 05.02.2014 to 21.02.2014	127	233	04	20
	Total	33304	5675	152	05

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PRIVILEGE MATTERS*

In parliamentary parlance, the term 'privilege' means certain rights and immunities enjoyed by each House of Parliament and its Committees collectively, and by the members of each House individually without which they cannot discharge their functions meaningfully, efficiently and effectively. The object of parliamentary privilege is to safeguard the freedom, the authority and the dignity of Parliament. Privileges are enjoyed by individual members, because the House cannot perform its functions without an unimpeded use of the services of its members. Each House also enjoys these privileges collectively for the protection of its members and the vindication of its own authority and dignity. While privileges are available to individual members only in so far as they are necessary for the House to perform its functions freely, without any let or hindrance, they do not exempt the members from such obligations to the society as apply to other citizens. Parliamentary privileges do not place a member of Parliament on a footing different from that of an ordinary citizen in the matter of application of laws, unless there are good and sufficient reasons in the interest of Parliament itself to do so.

Some of the important privileges of each House of Parliament and of its members and Committees are: freedom of speech in Parliament; immunity to a member from any proceedings in any court in respect of anything said or any vote given by him in Parliament or any Committee thereof; immunity to a person from proceedings in any court in respect of the publication by or under the authority of either House of Parliament of any report, paper, votes or proceedings; prohibition on the courts to enquire into proceedings of Parliament, and freedom from arrest of members in civil cases during the continuance of the session of the House and forty days before its commencement and forty days after its conclusion. The privilege of freedom from arrest does not, however, extend to preventive arrest or detention under statutory authority by an executive order and in criminal cases.

When any individual or authority disregards or attacks any of the privileges, rights and immunities, either of the members individually or of the House in its collective capacity, the offence is called a breach of privilege and is punishable by the House. Besides, breach of specific privileges, actions in the nature of offences against the authority or dignity of the House such as disobedience to its legitimate orders or libels upon itself, its members or officers, are also punishable as contempt of the House.

Contempt of the House may be defined generally as any act or omission which obstructs or impedes either House of Parliament in the performance of its functions or which obstructs or impedes members or officers of such House in the discharge of their duty or which has a tendency, directly or indirectly, to produce such result. Some typical cases of contempt of Parliament are: speeches or writings reflecting on the House, its Committees or members; reflections on the character and impartiality of the Speaker in the discharge of his or her duty; publication of false or distorted report of the proceedings of the House; molestation of members on account of their conduct in the House or obstructing members while performing their duties as members or while on their way to, or from attending the House or a Committee thereof; offering bribes to members to influence them in their parliamentary conduct; and intimidation of members in connection with their parliamentary conduct.

A question of privilege may either be considered and decided by the House itself, or it may be referred by the House, on a motion made by any member, to the Committee of Privileges for examination, investigation and report. The usual practice is, however, to refer the question of privilege to the Committee of Privileges, and the House reserves its judgement until the Report of the Committee has been presented. Besides, the Speaker may *suo motu* refer any question of privilege to the Committee for examination, investigation and report.

*Contributed by the Privilege and Ethics Branch of Lok Sabha Secretariat.

Privilege matters raised during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, seventeen notices of breach of privilege were referred by the Speaker, Lok Sabha to the Committee of Privilege for examination and report. The Committee submitted its report in four privilege cases. A brief account of these cases that were referred to the Committee of Privileges on which reports were presented to the Speaker and thereafter, laid on the Table of the House is given below:—

1. Alleged detention of a member and the Minister of State in the Union Cabinet, by the District Authorities of Raebareli, Uttar Pradesh and non-intimation of the fact to the Speaker, Lok Sabha. This matter was referred by the Speaker to the Committee of Privileges on 5 March 2010. The report of the Committee was presented to the Speaker on 28 February 2011 and laid on the Table of the House on 4 March 2011. The Committee recommended that their severe displeasure over dereliction of duty by Shri Charanjit Singh Bakshi, the then DM and Shri P.K. Mishra, the then SP which resulted in a breach of privilege and contempt of the House, may be communicated to the Secretary, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; and the Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, as well as the Chief Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh for appropriate action in this regard. The Committee also strongly deprecated the conduct of Kunwar Fateh Bahadur, Principal Secretary (Home), Government of Uttar Pradesh. The Committee further directed that the grave displeasure of the Committee may be communicated to his cadre controlling authority *i.e.* the Secretary, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions for appropriate action. Action was taken by the Secretariat accordingly.

2. Three matters *viz.,* (i) Protocol violation and discourteous behaviour displayed by the Government officers *vis-à-vis* Members of Parliament; (ii) Revision of position of Members of Parliament in the Warrant of Precedence; and (iii) Inclusion of former Speakers of Lok Sabha in the Warrant of Precedence were referred by the Speaker to the Committee of Privileges for examination and report. The Report of the Committee was presented to the Speaker on 28 November 2011 and laid on the Table of the House on 30 November 2011.

(i) Issue of protocol violation and discourteous behaviour displayed by Government officers *vis-à-vis* Members of Parliament

The Committee recommended that:—

(a) the consolidated circular issued by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) regarding observance of proper procedure in 'Official dealings between the Administration and Members of Parliament and State Legislatures' be specifically brought to the notice of the Chief Secretaries of States and Union Territories during the next Chief Secretaries Conference with particular reference to the provision for punishment for violation of guidelines contained in the consolidated circular;

(b) the Chief Secretaries should be directed to hold meetings with Secretaries of State Government Departments with a view to ensuring that the guidelines/instructions contained in the consolidated circular are conveyed to all the District level officers for strict observance; and

(c) DoPT may also incorporate in the curriculum of the existing training courses, for candidates selected for All India Civil Services, the instructions issued by the Government relating to protocol and courteous behavior to be displayed by Government officials towards public representatives and the need for its strict compliance. Similarly, Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) may instruct the State Governments to impart similar training for the officials belonging to Upper Subordinate and Lower Subordinate Services, who come through State Public Service Commissions.

(ii) Issue of the position of Members of Parliament in the Warrant of Precedence

The Committee recommended that:—

(a) MPs should be upgraded and be placed at serial number 17 instead of their present placement at serial No. 21 in the Warrant of Precedence; and

(b) Chairpersons of Parliamentary Committees who are also MPs, have been recommended for placing them at serial No. 17 in the Warrant of Precedence above the Members of Parliament.

(iii) Issue of inclusion of former Speakers of Lok Sabha in the Warrant of Precedence

As former Speakers of Lok Sabha did not find mention in the placement of dignitaries in the Warrant of Precedence, the Committee recommended that former Speakers should be placed at serial No. 7 of the Warrant of Precedence.

The recommendations were communicated to the concerned Ministries *i.e.* the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions and the Ministry of Home Affairs. Only the DoPT (Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievance & Pensions) came up with the revised guidelines on official dealings between the Administration and Members of Parliament.

3. Notices of question of privilege given by Shri Asaduddin Owaisi, Shri Jagdambika Pal and Shri E.T. Mohammed Basheer, MPs against 'The Statesman' newspaper for casting aspersions on and imputing motives to the Speaker, Lok Sabha in an article published in its New Delhi edition dated 24 November 2011 under the caption 'RIGHT TO RESIGN'. This matter was referred by the Speaker to the Committee of Privileges on 28 November 2011. The Report of the Committee was presented to the Speaker on 31 December 2012 and laid on the Table of the House on 26 February 2013.

The Committee observed that several references in the impugned article were neither a fair comment nor a reasonable criticism and were derogatory, damaging and questioned the impartiality of the Speaker.

The Committee while accepting the apology expressed by the Editor and the Managing Director of 'The Statesman' observed that he should refrain from such journalistic misdemeanors and exercise due restraint and be more careful while commenting on a Constitutional functionary like the Speaker, Lok Sabha.

4. Notice of question of privilege given notice of by Dr. (Smt.) Prabha Kishor Taviad, MP for alleged assault on her by Police authorities of District Dahod, Gujarat. This matter was referred by the Speaker to the Committee of Privileges on 3 May 2012.

The report of the Committee was presented to the Speaker on 5 September 2013 and laid on the Table of the House on 6 September 2013. The Committee accepted the unconditional and unqualified apology tendered by the SP, Dahod in the matter for the inadvertent hurt caused to Dr. (Smt.) Prabha Kishor Taviad, MP during her detention.

The Committee, nevertheless, expressed their severe displeasure over the conduct of Police personnel led by Dy. S.P., Dahod, whose over-zealous approach resulted in humiliation of Dr. (Smt.) Prabha Kishor Taviad, MP. The Committee accordingly recommended appropriate action against Dy. S.P., Dahod. The Committee also deprecated the act of the police authorities in using excessive and avoidable force against the member. The recommendations were communicated to the Government of Gujarat for appropriate action.

In addition, the following cases were also referred to the Committee:—

- Review of procedure for requiring the attendance of a member of one House of Parliament before the other House or any Committee thereof for giving evidence, as recommended by the Committee of Privileges, Second Lok Sabha in their Sixth Report.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 19 August 2011 given by Kumari Meenakshi Natrajan, MP against Shri Rajnath Singh, MP for levelling false, baseless and mendacious allegations against Smt. Sonia Gandhi, MP regarding forcibly acquiring land from farmers of Haryana for Rajiv Gandhi Trust.

- Complaint by Smt. Sumitra Mahajan, MP and Chairperson, Standing Committee on Rural Development against the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar for forwarding misleading information to the Committee.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 16 August 2011 given by Shri Hukmdev Narayan Yadav, MP against the Minister of State for Home Affairs for allegedly giving misleading reply regarding the matter raised by him under Rule 377 and also for furnishing the English version of the reply instead of the Hindi version.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 15 March 2012 given by Shri Hukmdev Narayan Yadav, MP against the officials of the Ministry of Health and

Family Welfare for furnishing reply to his notice under Direction 115 in English instead of Hindi version.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 12 and 26 March 2012 given by Shri Sajjan Singh Verma and Shri Jagdambika Pal, MPs against Shri Arvind Kejriwal for making derogatory, defamatory and indecent remarks about Members of Parliament.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 7 and 8 March 2011 given by Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav, MP against the DM and the DIG, Lucknow Range for forcibly detaining him and Shri Akhilesh Yadav, MP by erecting barricades and deployment of large police force outside his residence at Lucknow.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 4 May 2012 given by Shri Aruna Kumar Vundavalli, MP and Chairperson, Standing Committee on Petroleum & Natural Gas against the "Andhra Jyothi" Telugu Newspaper for allegedly publishing an article with intention to tarnish his image and damage his reputation in his constituency.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 7 September 2009 given by Smt. Sarika Devendra Singh Baghel, MP against Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP), Aligarh and other police officers for misbehaving with her and obstructing her from performing her duties.

- Notice of question of privilege dated 12 March 2013 given by Shri Balkrishna Khanderao Shukla, MP against the 'Gujarat Samachar' newspaper for allegedly tarnishing his image by publishing a defamatory news item wherein he was reported to have stealthily taken away some important papers from the chamber of Leader of Opposition, Lok Sabha.

- Notices of question of privilege dated 4 October 2012, 10 December 2012 and 12 March 2013 given by Shri Ponnam Prabhakar, MP, Dr. Manda Jagannath, MP and 5 other MPs against the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh for having allegedly prevented them from discharging their duties by not allowing them to meet him for discussion on the Telengana matter.

- Reference by the Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly of a notice of question of privilege dated 13 December 2012 given by Shri Sirajuddin Ajmal, MLA, Assam Legislative Assembly and 17 other MLAs of the Assembly against Shri Rajen Gohain, MP for allegedly branding these 18 MLAs belonging to the principal opposition party – All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF) in the Assam Legislative Assembly, as 'Bangladeshis'.

- Notices of question of privilege dated 15 October and 25 October 2013 given by Shri Raj Babbar, MP and Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence, against the Editor and the concerned reporter of The Times of India for casting aspersions on him, the Speaker and members of the Standing Committee on Defence, and also for prematurely leaking/ publishing the contents of the proceedings of the Committee.

- Contempt of the House committed by Shri Lagadapati Rajagopal, MP for spraying pepper and also by some other members for indulging in unruly acts/behaviour on 13 February 2014 in the House.

In addition, the following cases relating to anti-defection were also referred to the Committee.

- Petition given by Prof. Ranjan Prasad Yadav, MP and Dy. Leader, JD(U) in Lok Sabha against Shri Sushil Kumar Singh, MP under the Tenth Schedule to the Constitution and Rules made thereunder.

- Petition given by Prof. Ranjan Prasad Yadav, MP and Dy. Leader, JD(U) in Lok Sabha against Shri Mangani Lal Mandal, MP under the Tenth Schedule to the Constitution and Rules made thereunder.

- Petition given by Prof. Ranjan Prasad Yadav, MP and Dy. Leader, JD(U) in Lok Sabha against Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh *alias* Lalan Singh, MP under the Tenth Schedule to the Constitution and Rules made thereunder.

- Petition given by Shri Ajit Singh, MP against Smt. Sarika Devendra Singh Baghel, MP under the Tenth Schedule to the Constitution and Rules made thereunder.

- Petition given by Shri Ajit Singh, MP against Shri Devendra Nagpal, MP under the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution and Rules made thereunder.

Privilege matters raised in the House during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl.No.	Brief Subject	Name of the member who raised the matter	Date on which matter brought before the House	Time Taken		Decision of Chair/House
				Hrs.	Mts.	
1	2	3	4	5		6
1.	Notice of Question of Privilege dated 19 November 2009 against Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar for allegedly obstructing him from performing his duties as an elected representative.	Shri Navjot Singh Sidhu	24.11.2009	01 Mt.		The Speaker observed that decision on the Question of Privilege will be taken after the receipt of factual note from the Ministry of Personnel, PG& Pensions.
2.	Notice of question of privilege against the DM and the DIG, Lucknow Range for forcibly detaining him by erecting barricades and deployment of large police force outside his residence at Lucknow.	Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav	08.3.2011	01 Mt.		The Speaker referred the matter to Committee of privileges 3 May 2012.
3.	Notice of question of privilege dated 14 March 2011 given by Shri Akhilesh Yadav, MP against officials of State Government of UP and District Administration of Lucknow for misbehaving and forcibly detaining him at Lucknow Airport and lodging him in prison.	Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav, Shri Shailendra Kumar	15.3.2011	01 Mt.		The Chair observed that decision on the Question of Privilege will be taken after the receipt of factual note from the Ministry of Home Affairs.
4.	Notice of question of privilege against officials of two private companies for offering of bribe and threatening him of dire consequence for refusal to accept it.	Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai Maadam	15.3.2011	01 Mt.		The Chair observed that the matter is under consideration.
5.	Notice of question of privilege against the District Administration and State Police of Uttar Pradesh for attacking his residence & property and preventing him from discharging his Parliamentary duties.	Shri Lal Ji Tandon	15.3.2011	01 Mt.		—
6.	Notice of question of privilege against the UP Police for forcibly detaining him by deployment of large police force outside his residence at Allahabad.	Kunwar Rewati Raman Singh	16.3.2011	01 Mt.		The Speaker observed that factual note has been called for in the matter and a decision will be taken after receipt of the same.

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7.	Notice of question of privilege against Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Manmohan Singh, for misleading the House and committing a breach of privilege.	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	22.3.2011	01 Mt.	The Speaker observed that the matter is under consideration.
8.	Notice of question of privilege against the "Times Now" TV news channel and other press reports allegedly highlighting his involvement in the Ajmer and Malegaon blasts.	Shri Yogi Adityanath	23.3.2011	01 Mt.	The Speaker observed that the matter is under consideration.
9.	Notices of question of privilege dated 29 February 2012 and 26 March 2012 given by Shri Sajjan Singh Verma and Shri Jagdambika Pal, MPs respectively against Shri Arvind Kejriwal, for making derogatory and defamatory remarks about the Members of Parliament.	Shri Sharad Yadav Shri Jagdambika Pal Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav Shri Dara Singh Chauhan Dr. Munisami Thambidurai Shri Sharifuddin Shariq Dr. Farooq Abdullah Shri T.K.S. Elangovan Shri Hukmdev Narayan Yadav Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh Shri Anandrao Adsul	27.3.2012	01 Hr.	The Speaker referred the matter to Committee of Privileges on 11 April 2012.
10.	Notice of question of privilege dated 15 May 2012 given by Shri Shailendra Kumar, MP against certain individuals for making derogatory and defamatory remarks about the Members of Parliament.	Shri Shailendra Kumar	2.5.2012	02 Mts.	The Chair observed that notice is already before the Hon'ble Speaker. So please wait for decision.
11.	Notice of question of privilege dated 2 May 2012 given by Dr. Prabha Kishor Taviad, MP for alleged assault on her on 1 May 2012 by Police authorities of District Dahod, Gujarat.	Dr. (Kum.) Girija Vyas and Dr. (Smt.) Prabha Kishor Taviad	2.5.2012	02 Mts.	The Speaker referred the matter to Committee of Privileges 3 May 2012. The Report of the Committee was presented to Speaker on 5 September 2013 and laid on the Table of Lok Sabha on 6 September 2013.
12.	Notice of question of privilege dated 15 May 2012 given by Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, MP against the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs for alleged misbehaviour and assault on him.	Shri Bishnu Pada Ray	10.5. 2012 and 16.5.2012	04 Mts. 02 Mts.	The Speaker referred the matter to Committee on violation of protocol norms and contemptuous behaviour of Government officers with Members of Lok Sabha on 5 October 2012. The Committee presented its Report to Speaker on 17 December 2013 and laid on the Table on 6 February 2014.

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13.	Notice of question of privilege dated 11 May 2012 given by dated Raghuvansh Prasad Singh, MP against the Minister of Health & Family Welfare for allegedly misleading the House by willfully given incorrect reply to his USQ No. 5975 dated 11 May 2012 regarding payment of monthly allowance to 'ASHA' workers under the National Rural Health Mission.	Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	15.5.2012	02 Mts.	The Speaker observed that the notice of question of privilege of Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh dated 11 May 2011 against the Minister of Health & Family Welfare for allegedly misleading the House by willfully given incorrect reply to his Unstarred Question No. 5975 dated 11 May 2012 regarding payment of monthly allowance to 'ASHA' workers under the National Rural Health Mission has been received and that the matter is under examination.
14.	Notice of question of privilege dated 15 May 2012 given by Shri Gurudas Dasgupta and 5 other MPs against Union Minister of Civil Aviation for allegedly making statements outside the House regarding policy changes in Civil Aviation sector when Parliament is in Session.	Shri Basudeb Acharia, Shri Gurudas Dasgupta and Shri Ananth Kumar	15.5.2012	02 Mts.	The Chair observed "since it is under the consideration of Hon'ble Speaker, it will be taken up tomorrow, not today."The Chair further observed "I am told that the privilege notice was given after the time was over. It is valid for tomorrow."
15.	Notice of question of privilege dated 21 May 2012 given by Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh, MP against the Minister of Human Resource Development for allegedly giving incorrect reply to Unstarred Question No. 3424 dated 25 April 2012 regarding 'Granting Central University Status to Patna University'.	Dr. Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	22.5.2012	01 Mt.	The Speaker observed that notice of question of privilege dated 21 May 2012 against the Minister of Human Resource Development for allegedly giving incorrect reply to Unstarred Question number 3424 dated 25 April 2012 regarding granting Central University status to Patna University is under examination.
16.	Notice of question of privilege given by Shri M. B. Rajesh, MP against the CRPF and Delhi Police for allegedly assaulting him and Shri M.P. Achuthan, MP.	Shri M.B. Rajesh	19.2.2014	02 Mts.	The Speaker condemned this incident on behalf of the whole House unequivocally as it concerned the safety and the dignity of the Members of Parliament. Speaker took cognizance of it and asked him to send a written complaint upon which action would be taken.

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SUO MOTU STATEMENTS/PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

In order to keep the House informed about matters of public importance or to state the Government's policy in regard to a matter of topical interest, Ministers make statements in the House, from time to time, under rule 372 of the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha* with the consent of the Speaker.

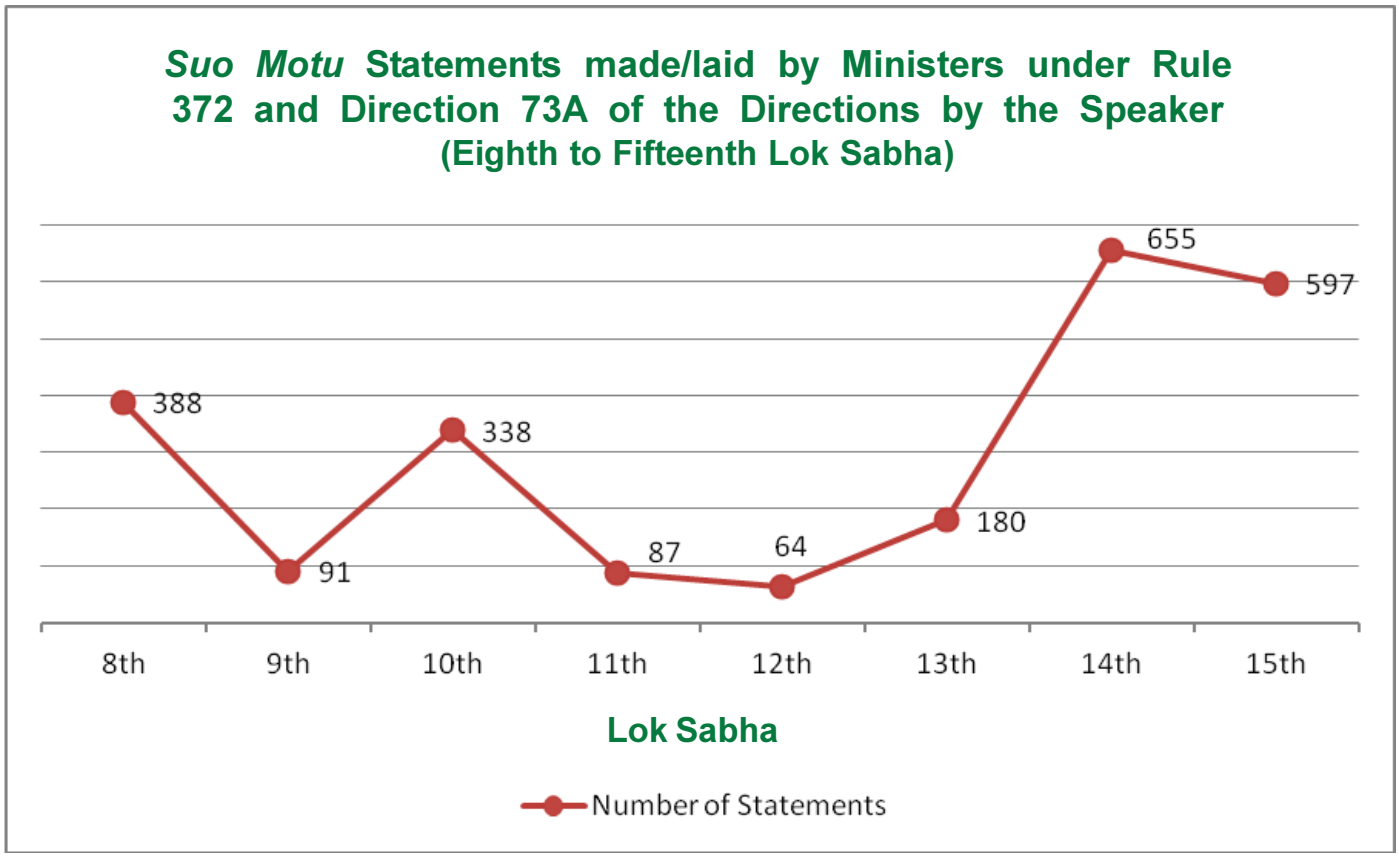
As a rule, questions are not permitted after a statement is made by a Minister because there is no formal motion before the House on which debate may take place.

In order that Parliament may come to know at the earliest opportunity about all serious occurrences in the country, a convention is being followed that Ministers make statements in the House regarding such occurrences ***suo motu***. As a general convention, policy statements are first made on the floor of the House when it is in session before releasing them to the Press or to the public.

As per direction 73A of the Directions by the Speaker, Lok Sabha, the Minister concerned shall make once in six months a statement in the House regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the Reports of the Departmentally Related Standing Committees of Lok Sabha with regard to concerned Ministry.

Statement 45 gives details of the 597 statements made/laid by Ministers under Rule 372, under directions issued by the Speaker under direction 73A and by Ministers of Parliamentary Affairs regarding Government Business during the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Graph below has shown the number of statements made/laid by Ministers during the tenure of Fifteenth Lok Sabha:



Papers Laid on the Table

In parliamentary parlance, 'Papers Laid on the Table' signify any document, statement, report, rules and regulations, Government notifications, etc., which are laid on the Table of the House in order to bring them on record. The purpose is to make available to Parliament authoritative facts and information with a view to preparing ground for discussion on various matters in the House.

The Lok Sabha is vested with the power of ordering all papers to be laid before it as are necessary for its information. Papers are, however, generally laid in compliance with specific provisions contained in the Constitution, various Central Statutes, Rules of Procedure of the House, Directions issued by the Speaker from time to time and the settled practices and conventions in regard thereto and the recommendations of various Parliamentary Committees.

Papers laid under the Constitution

The following papers are laid on the Table of the House in pursuance of various constitutional provisions:—

(i) Budget and other documents connected therewith (Article 112);

(ii) Demands for Supplementary and Excess Grants (Article 115);

(iii) Ordinances promulgated by the President (Article 123);

(iv) Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General (Article 151);

(v) Reports of the Finance Commission (Article 281);

(vi) Reports of the Union Public Service Commission (Article 323);

(vii) Reports of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes (Article 338);

(viii) Reports of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (Article 338 A);

(ix) Reports of the National Commission for Minorities (Section 13 of the National Commission for Minorities Act 1992);

(x) Reports of the Backward Classes Commission (Article 340);

(xi) Reports of the Special Officer for Linguistic Minorities (Article 350B);

(xii) Proclamations regarding President's rule in a State (Article 356); and related document *i.e.* of Governor's Report

(xiii) Presidential Orders issued under Article 359;

(xiv) Proclamations of Emergency (Article 352); and

(xv) Proclamations regarding Financial Emergency (Article 360).

Papers laid under Statutes

The following papers are laid under various Statutes:—

(i) Annual reports and audited accounts in respect of public undertakings incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, or created under specific Acts of Parliament;

(ii) Reports on statutory bodies, other than public undertakings, created under specific Acts of Parliament;

(iii) Rules, sub-rules, regulations, bye-laws framed by the Government in exercise of the power of delegated legislation; and

(iv) Government resolutions, statutory or executive orders or any other papers issued under various Central statutes.

Papers laid under the Rules of Procedure

The following categories of papers are laid on the Table under various provisions of the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha*:

(i) Reports of Select and Joint Committees on Bills;

(ii) Reports of Standing Parliamentary Committees;

(iii) Petitions;

(iv) Statements regarding Ordinances;

(v) Rules, regulations, etc., as modified in accordance with amendments adopted by both Houses;

(vi) Bills as passed by Rajya Sabha, including Bills returned by Rajya Sabha with amendments;

(vii) Bills returned by the President for reconsideration; and

(viii) Replies to Unstarred Questions or Questions not reached for oral answer.

Papers laid under Directions by the Speaker

In pursuance of the Directions issued by the Speaker, the following papers are required to be laid on the Table:

(i) Statements by Ministers in reply to half-an-hour discussions when a full reply could not be given at the allotted time for the purpose;

(ii) Opinions on Bills circulated for the purpose of eliciting public opinion thereon;

(iii) Bills assented to by the President;

(iv) Statements in response to Calling Attention notices in case more than one notice is admitted for a day;

(v) Minutes of Standing Parliamentary Committees; and

(vi) Documents connected with the report of a Select or Joint Committee.

Statement by Minister who has resigned

A member who has resigned from the office of Minister may, with the consent of the Speaker, make a personal statement in explanation of resignation under Rule 199.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, three statements were laid on the Table of the House as per details given in **Statement 45A.**

Papers laid on the Recommendations of a Parliamentary Committee

Parliamentary Committees may sometimes make recommendations in their reports presented to the House requiring certain documents, reports, explanatory memoranda, etc. to be placed before the House. In pursuance of such recommendations, the relevant papers are laid on the Table of the House.

A Private Member can also lay a paper on the Table of the House with the permission of the Speaker. Thus, when a Private Member quotes from a document, may lay it on the Table of the House either of the Member's own accord or in pursuance of a demand made in the House. A Private Member may also be required to lay on the Table documents to substantiate allegations made by the Member.

Copies of all the Papers Laid are forwarded to Parliament Library for future references. The electronic copies of the same are also received from the concerned Ministries and released onto the Lok Sabha home page.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, a total of 23,952 papers were laid on the Table of the House as per details given in **Statement 46**.

STATEMENT 45

Suo Motu Statements made/laid by Ministers under Rule 372, Direction 73A and Statements made by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs regarding Government Business during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Brief Subject	Name of Minister	Date	Time Taken	
				Hrs.	Mts.
1	2	3	34	5	
	SECOND SESSION				
1.	Government business for the week commencing the 6th July 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	3.7.2009	00	06
2.	Regarding the first anniversary of the attack on Indian Embassy in Kabul on 7 July 2009.	Shri S.M. Krishna	7.7.2009	00	01

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3.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 63rd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Dr. S. Jagathrakshakan	7.7.2009	00	01
4.	Regarding significant developments in our neighbourhood.	Shri S.M. Krishna	9.7.2009	00	04
5.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 27th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	9.7.2009	00	01
6.	Government business for the week commencing the 13th July 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	10.7.2009	00	04
7.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 43rd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	14.7.2009	00	01
8.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 181st and 200th Reports of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2007-08) pertaining to the Ministry of Earth Sciences.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	15.7.2009	00	01
9.	Regarding the visits to Italy, France and Egypt.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	17.7.2009	00	09
10.	Government business for the week commencing the 20th July 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	17.7.2009	00	08
11.	Correcting the reply given on 7 July 2009 to Starred Question No.48 by Shri Rudra Madhab Ray and Dr. Prasanna Kumar Patasani, M.Ps regarding Modernization of Police Forces.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	21.7.2009	00	01
12.	Regarding recent visits to India by the Secretary of State of the United States of America, Ms. Hillary Clinton.	Shri S.M. Krishna	21.7.2009	00	28
13.	Regarding certain alleged discrepancies in the Budget documents.	Shri P. Chidambaram	23.7.2009	00	04
14.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 98th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee contained in 83rd Report on the Functioning of Commission of Railway Safety.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	23.7.2009	00	01
15.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 126th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on action taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in 119th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2007-08) (Demand No.92) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	24.7.2009	00	01

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16.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 136th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2008-09) (Demand No.93) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	24.7.2009	00	01
17.	Government business for the week commencing the 27th July 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	24.7.2009	00	06
18.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 30th and 31st Reports of the Standing Committee on Defence on Status of Married Accommodation Project in Defence and Allied Services and Stress Management in Armed Forces respectively.	Shri A.K. Antony	27.7.2009	00	01
19.	Decision taken by the Board of Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) on the basis of the report of High-Level Committee that enquired into the accident at the DMRC construction site on 12 July 2009.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	28.7.2009	00	05
20.	Status of implementation of the 205th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on action taken on the 202nd Report on Demands for Grants (2007-08) pertaining to the Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Vilasrao Deshmukh	30.7.2009	00	01
21.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 39th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Minority Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	30.7.2009	00	01
22.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 35th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on General condition of weavers in the country–A case study of concentration zone of weavers pertaining to the Ministry of Textiles.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	30.7.2009	00	01
23.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 33rd Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Development Schemes for Handicrafts Sector pertaining to the Ministry of Textiles.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	30.7.2009	00	01
24.	Import of raw and white/refined Sugar.	Shri Sharad Pawar	31.7.2009	00	03
25.	Government business for the week commencing the 3rd August 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	31.7.2009	00	06
26.	Regarding supply of gas to Power Project at Dadri, District Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P.	Shri Murli Deora	3.8.2009	00	07
27.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 196th Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resource Development on University and Higher Education pertaining to the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development.	Shri Kapil Sibal	3.8.2009	00	01

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28.	Correcting the reply given on 7 July 2009 to USQ No.432 by Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai Maadam, M.P. regarding Mega City and Desert Area Policing and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	4.8.2009	00	01
29.	Correcting the reply given on 21.7.2009 to USQ No.2360 by Shri (Capt.) Jainarain Prasad Nishad, M.P. regarding "Tour by MCD Officials' and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	4.8.2009	00	01
30.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 28th and 38th Reports of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2007-08) and (2008-09) pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	4.8.2009	00	01
31.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 29th and 39th Reports of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2007-08) and (2008-09), respectively, pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	4.8.2009	00	01
32.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 140th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 132nd Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	4.8.2009	00	01
33.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 137th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Rehabilitation of J&K Migrants pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Ajay Maken	4.8.2009	00	01
34.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 23rd Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Oil Refineries–A Critique pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Shri Jitin Prasada	4.8.2009	00	01
35.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 45th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Action Taken by the Government on the 40th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Shri Subodh Kant Sahai	6.8.2009	00	01
36.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 77th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	6.8.2009	00	01

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37.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 40th and 41st Reports of the Standing Committee on Railways on Review of Plan Performance and Eleventh Five Year Plan Projections and Review of Special Railway Safety Fund, respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	7.8.2009	00	01
38.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 198th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on Action Taken Report on Professionalization of Boards of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) pertaining to the Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Vilasrao Deshmukh	7.8.2009	00	01
39.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 207th Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resource Development on Demands for Grants (2008-09) (Demand No.58) pertaining to the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development.	Shri Kapil Sibal	7.8.2009	00	01
	THIRD SESSION				
40.	Regarding the fire incident at Petroleum Oil Lubricants (POL) Depot of Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. at Sanganer in Jaipur, Rajasthan.	Shri Murli Deora	20.11.2009	00	01
41.	Government business for the week commencing the 23rd November 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	20.11.2009	00	01
42.	Regarding Jawahar Lal Nehru National Solar Mission–Solar India.	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	23.11.2009	00	01
43.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 67th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Television Audience Measurement in India pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Shri C.M. Jatua	24.11.2009	00	01
44.	Government business for the week commencing the 30th November 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	26.11.2009	00	04
45.	Regarding the issue of Radioactive Contamination of Drinking Water at Kaiga Atomic Power Station.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	3.12.2009	00	06
46.	Regarding the visit of Prime Minister to the United States of America.	Shri S.M. Krishna	3.12.2009	00	17
47.	Government business for the week commencing the 7th December 2009.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	4.12.2009	00	07
48.	Regarding sequencing of the First Human Genome in India.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	8.12.2009	00	01

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49.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 73rd and 79th Reports of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2008-09) and Counterfeit Currency Notes in circulation, respectively, pertaining to the Department of Economic Affairs, Expenditure, Financial Services and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Namo Narain Meena	11.12.2009	00	01
50.	Government business for the remaining part of the Session.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	11.12.2009	00	10
51.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 33rd Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Indigenisation of Defence Production – Public Private Partnership pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri A.K. Antony	14.12.2009	00	01
52.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 47th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Impact of Global Climate Change on Agriculture and Allied Sectors in India pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education, Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	15.12.2009	00	01
53.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 144th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.	Shri R.P.N. Singh	15.12.2009	00	01
54.	Regarding the Prime Minister's visit to Russia.	Shri S.M. Krishna	16.12.2009	00	01
55.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the First, Fourteenth, Nineteenth and Thirty-first Reports of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice on Demands for Grants (2004-05), (2006-07), (2007-08) and (2008-09), respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	16.12.2009	00	01
56.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 41st Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Pricing Policy for Agricultural Produce, pertaining to the Ministry of Agriculture.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	17.12.2009	00	01
57.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Interlinking of Rivers pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	18.12.2009	00	01
58.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 145th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken on the observations/ recommendations contained in the 136th Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	18.12.2009	00	01

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	FOURTH SESSION			
59.	Correcting the reply given on 11 December 2009 to USQ No. 3589 by Shri Adagooru Vishwanath, M.P. regarding Thermal and Wind Energy Plants in Karnataka and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Bharatsinh Solanki	12.2.2010	00 01
60.	Correcting the reply given on 15 December 2009 to USQ No. 4014 by Shri Yeddyurappa Raghavendra, M.P. regarding Expenditure on Advertisement by Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri C.M. Jatua	23.2.2010	00 01
61.	Regarding Beheading of a Sikh in Pakistan.	Shri S.M. Krishna	24.2.2010	00 02
62.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 107th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/Observations contained in the 91st Report on the functioning of Archaeological Survey of India pertaining to the Ministry of Culture.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	24.2.2010	00 02
63.	Regarding Attacks on Indians in Australia.	Shri S.M. Krishna	25.2.2010	00 01
64.	Government business for the week commencing the 2nd March 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	25.2.2010	00 01
65.	Regarding Talks between India and Pakistan on 25 February 2010.	Shri S.M. Krishna	26.2.2010	00 01
66.	Correcting the reply given on 23 February 2010 to USQ No. 22 by Shri Mukesh Bhairavadanji Gadhvi, M.P. regarding 'Direct To Home (DTH) service of Doordarshan'.	Shri S. Jagathrakshakan	3.3.2010	00 01
67.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 23rd Report of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice on Government's policy for appointment on Compassionate Grounds pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	3.3.2010	00 01
68.	Regarding Prime Minister's visit to Saudi Arabia.	Shri S.M. Krishna	4.3.2010	00 01
69.	Government business for the week commencing the 8th March 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	5.3.2010	00 05
70.	Regarding Women Empowerment.	Smt. Krishna Tirath	8.3.2010	00 01
71.	Regarding Climate Change.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	9.3.2010	00 01
72.	Correcting the reply given on 19 November 2009 to Starred Question No.10 by Shri Subhash Wankhede and Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena regarding Aviation Infrastructure and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Jitin Prasada	11.3.2010	00 01

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73.	Correcting the reply given on 17 December 2009 to Starred Question No. 410 by Shri Sukender Reddy Gutha and Shri P. Karunakaran regarding Automotive Mission Plan and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Arun Yadav	11.3.2010	00	01
74.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 98th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in the 83rd Report of the Committee on the Functioning of Commission of Railway Safety pertaining to the Ministry of Civil Aviation.	Shri Jitin Prasada	11.3.2010	00	01
75.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 40th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Urban Housing pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.	Kumari Selja	12.3.2010	00	01
76.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 91st Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Export Infrastructure at Airports, Ports, Inland Container Depots (ICDs), Land Custom Stations (LCSs) etc. and Towns of Export Excellence in the country pertaining to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao Scindia	15.3.2010	00	01
77.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 39th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Functioning of the Employees Provident Fund Organisation – Pension Scheme pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Harish Rawat	15.3.2010	00	01
78.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 37th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Bijoy Krishna Handique	16.3.2010	00	01
79.	Government Business for the week commencing the 19th April 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	16.4.2010	00	01
80.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Harish Rawat	19.4.2010	00	01
81.	Correcting the reply given on 8 December 2009 to Unstarred Question No. 2989 by Shri Arjun Sethi, M.P. regarding Decontrol of Sugar Sector and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	20.4.2010	00	01
82.	Regarding the Prime Minister's visits for the Nuclear Security Summit, as well as the India-Brazil-South America (IBSA) and Brazil-Russia-India-China (BRIC) Summits.	Shri S.M. Krishna	23.4.2010	00	01

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83.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 36th Report (14th Lok Sabha) of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Government of India Stationery Office, Kolkata pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	23.4.2010	00	01
84.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 27th Report on Ultra Mega Power Projects; 29th Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09); 30th Report on the Role of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission and State Electricity Regulatory Commission in Protection of Interest of Consumers; and 31st Report on Implementation of Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana of the Standing Committee on Energy pertaining to the Ministry of Power.	Shri Bharatsinh Solanki	23.4.2010	00	01
85.	Government business for the week commencing the 26th April 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	23.4.2010	00	01
86.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 143rd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Shipping.	Shri G.K. Vasan	26.4.2010	00	01
87.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 90th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Foreign and Domestic Investment in Retail Sector pertaining to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia	26.4.2010	00	01
88.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs.	Shri Vayalar Ravi	28.4.2010	00	01
89.	Regarding an official in the High Commission of India in Islamabad.	Smt. Preneet Kaur	29.4.2010	00	02
90.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Minority Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	29.4.2010	00	01
91.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	30.4.2010	00	01
92.	Government business for the week commencing the 3rd May 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	30.4.2010	00	07
93.	Regarding “Prime Minister’s visit to Bhutan” for the 16th South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Summit.	Shri S.M. Krishna	3.5.2010	00	01

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94.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 36th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence (14th Lok Sabha) on Status of Implementation of Unified Command for Armed Forces pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri A.K. Antony	3.5.2010	00	01
95.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.	Dr. C.P. Joshi	3.5.2010	00	01
96.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 88th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Patents and Trade Marks Systems in India pertaining to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia	3.5.2010	00	01
97.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st and 4th Reports of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Departments of Posts and Telecommunications, respectively, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Gurudas Kamat	3.5.2010	00	01
98.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	3.5.2010	00	01
99.	Regarding strike by Railway Motormen and Loco Pilots in Mumbai.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	4.5.2010	00	01
100.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	4.5.2010	00	01
101.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	4.5.2010	00	01
102.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 67th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Television Audience Measurement in India pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Shri C.M. Jatua	4.5.2010	00	01
103.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Shri C.M. Jatua	4.5.2010	00	01

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104.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the Chapter-III of 214th Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resource Development on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in the 207th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2008-09) (Demand No. 58) pertaining to the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development.	Shri Kapil Sibal	5.5.2010	00	01
105.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 36th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Action taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 30th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2007-08) pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Shri Subodh Kant Sahai	5.5.2010	00	01
106.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st, 14th, 19th and 31st Report of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice on Demands for Grants (2004-05), (2006-07), (2007-08) and (2008-09), respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	5.5.2010	00	01
107.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 24th Report of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice on Working of CBI pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	5.5.2010	00	01
108.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 35th report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy by Coal India Limited pertaining to the Ministry of Coal.	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal	5.5.2010	00	01
109.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 149th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Development of Tourism Infrastructure and other Amenities for tourists during the Commonwealth Games, 2010 pertaining to the Ministry of Culture.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	5.5.2010	00	01
110.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	6.5.2010	00	01
111.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Railways on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	6.5.2010	00	01

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112.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 25th Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Marketing Supply, Distribution, Dealerships and Pricing of Kerosene and other Petroleum Products pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Shri Jitin Prasada	6.5.2010	00	01
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113.	Regarding the recent revision in prices of Sensitive Petroleum Products.	Shri Murli Deora	27.7.2010	00	02
114.	Correcting the reply given on 27 April 2010 to Unstarred Question No. 5144 by Shri Mangani Lal Mandal, Shrimati Shruti Choudhry, Dr. Kirodi Lal Meena, Shri N. Chaluvaraya Swamy, Shri Rajnath Singh, Dr. Mahesh Joshi, Shri Premchand (Guddu), Shri A. Venkata Rami Reddy and Shri Amarnath Pradhan, M.Ps. regarding Funds for National Highways Projects and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri R.P.N. Singh	27.7.2010	00	01
115.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Shri Jitin Prasada	29.7.2010	00	01
116.	Correcting the Hindi version of reply given on 12 March 2010 to Unstarred Question No. 2601 by Dr. Charan Das Mahant, M.P. regarding Protection of Tribals and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Dr. Tushar Amarsinh Chaudhary	30.7.2010	00	01
117.	Government business for the week commencing the 2nd August 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	30.7.2010	00	02
118.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 89th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Development of Leather Industry pertaining to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia	2.8.2010	00	01
119.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	3.8.2010	00	01
120.	Regarding the situation in Jammu & Kashmir.	Shri P. Chidambaram	4.8.2010	00	06
121.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal	4.8.2010	00	01
122.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers, pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Jena	5.8.2010	00	01

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123.	Correcting the reply given on 12 March 2010 to Unstarred Question No. 2671 by Shri Bhartruhari Mahtab, M.P. regarding Cases of Leprosy and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Dinesh Trivedi	6.8.2010	00	01
124.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grant (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	6.8.2010	00	01
125.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.	Prof. Saugata Roy	6.8.2010	00	01
126.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	6.8.2010	00	01
127.	Government Business for the week commencing the 9th August 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	6.8.2010	00	08
128.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 34th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Human Resource Planning, Shortage of Manpower, Infusion of Hi-Tech Training and Infrastructure for the Armed Forces pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri A.K. Antony	9.8.2010	00	01
129.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 87th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Action taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 83rd Report on Functioning of Special Economic Zones pertaining to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia	9.8.2010	00	01
130.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Pradeep Jain Aditya	9.8.2010	00	01
131.	Regarding Environmental Implications of the Oil Spill off Mumbai Coast on 7 August 2010.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	10.8.2010	00	09
132.	Correcting the reply given on 25 November 2009 to Unstarred Question No. 928 by Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal, M.P. regarding Education Cess alongwith reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Smt. D. Purandeswari	11.8.2010	00	01
133.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 30th Report of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice on Constraints being faced by Kendriya Bhandar pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	11.8.2010	00	01

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134.	Correcting the reply given on 29 July 2010 to Unstarred Question No. 807 by Shri A. Venkata Rami Reddy and Shri N. Chaluvaraya Swamy regarding Air India Employees Strike.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	12.8.2010	00	01
135.	Government Business for the week commencing the 16th August 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	13.8.2010	00	08
136.	Regarding the situation caused by Cloudburst in Leh, Jammu and Kashmir.	Shri P. Chidambaram	16.8.2010	00	01
137.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 8th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri A. Raja	16.8.2010	00	01
138.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 7th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.	Dr. C.P. Joshi	16.8.2010	00	01
139.	Regarding setting up of a Commission of Inquiry on Illegal Mining.	Shri B.K. Handique	17.8.2010	00	01
140.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment.	Shri S.S. Palanimanikam	17.8.2010	00	01
141.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd and 4th Reports of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Shri Sharad Pawar	17.8.2010	00	01
142.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution pertaining to the Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Shri Sharad Pawar	17.8.2010	00	01
143.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	17.8.2010	00	01
144.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Textiles.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	17.8.2010	00	01

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145.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	18.8.2010	00	01
146.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 208th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	18.8.2010	00	01
147.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 120th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2007-08) pertaining to the Ministry of Culture.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	18.8.2010	00	01
148.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 98th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on action taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 83rd Report of the Committee on Functioning of Commission of Railway Safety pertaining to the Ministry of Civil Aviation.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	19.8.2010	00	01
149.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Minority Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	19.8.2010	00	01
150.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Production and availability of medicines to deal with Swine Flu pertaining to the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	19.8.2010	00	01
151.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	19.8.2010	00	01
152.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	19.8.2010	00	01
153.	Government Business for the remaining part of the Session.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	21.8.2010	00	08

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154.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 205th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	25.8.2010	00	01
155.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 209th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri Prithviraj Chavan	25.8.2010	00	01
156.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Coal.	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal	25.8.2010	00	01
157.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	25.8.2010	00	01
158.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Rural Development.	Km. Agatha K. Sangma	25.8.2010	00	01
159.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 7th Report of the Standing Committee on Railways on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	26.8.2010	00	01
160.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 17th Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Strategy for Development of Alternative Sources of Oil and Gas pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Shri Jitin Prasada	26.8.2010	00	01
161.	Regarding general discussion relating to Jharkhand Budget, 2009-10.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	27.8.2010	00	04
162.	Correcting the reply given on 28 July 2010 to Starred Question No. 49 by Shri Anand Prakash Paranjpe and Shri Varun Gandhi, MPs regarding Relocation of Villagers and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	27.8.2010	00	01
163.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 35th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on the National Capital Region Planning Board pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Prof. Saugata Roy	27.8.2010	00	01

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164.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Power.	Shri Bharatsinh M. Solanki	27.8.2010	00	01
165.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 149th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the Development of Tourism Infrastructure and other Amenities for Tourists during the Commonwealth Games, 2010 pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	27.8.2010	00	01
166.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.	Dr. C.P. Joshi	30.8.2010	00	01
167.	Regarding signing of protocol between the Republic of India and Swiss Federal Council to amend the existing Agreement for avoidance of Double Taxation with respect to Taxes on Income with protocol.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	31.8.2010	00	05
168.	Regarding India's offer of assistance of Twenty-five million US Dollars to Pakistan for flood relief.	Shri S.M. Krishna	31.8.2010	00	05
169.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 78th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Flow of Credit to Agriculture Sector pertaining to the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	31.8.2010	00	01
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170.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Prof. Saugata Roy	3.11.2010	00	01
171.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution on Demands for Grants pertaining to the Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Shri Sharad Pawar	9.11.2010	00	01
172.	Regarding recently concluded Commonwealth Games, 2010 at New Delhi.	Dr. M.S. Gill	16.11.2010	00	01
173.	Regarding the visit to India by the President of the United States of America Hon'ble Barack H. Obama.	Shri S.M. Krishna	19.11.2010	00	01
174.	Regarding the recent visits abroad by Prime Minister.	Shri S.M. Krishna	19.11.2010	00	01
175.	Regarding export of Non-Basmati Rice to some countries.	Shri Anand Sharma	19.11.2010	00	01

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176.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 10th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	22.11.2010	00	01
177.	Government Business for the week commencing the 22nd November 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	22.11.2010	00	01
178.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 144th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Ramachandran Mullapally	23.11.2010	00	01
179.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 214th and 217th Reports of the Standing Committee on Industry on Demands for Grants (2008-09) and (2010-11), respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.	Shri Dinsha J. Patel	23.11.2010	00	01
180.	Correcting the reply given on 28 July 2010 to Starred Question No. 48 by Shri Vishwa Mohan Kumar and Shri Ashok Kumar Rawat, MPs regarding Flood Control and Management and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	24.11.2010	00	01
181.	Correcting the reply given on 10 November 2010 to Starred Question No. 40 by Shri P. Kumar and Dr. Padmasinha Bajirao Patil, MPs regarding Environmental Clearance to various Projects.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	24.11.2010	00	01
182.	Correcting the reply given on 29 April 2010 to Unstarred Question No. 5628 by Shri Uday Singh, M.P. regarding Allocation of funds to National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	25.11.2010	00	01
183.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 98th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in the 83rd Report on Functioning of Commission of Railway Safety pertaining to the Ministry of Civil Aviation.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	25.11.2010	00	01
184.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 38th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Solid Waste Management pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Prof. Saugata Roy	26.11.2010	00	01
185.	Government Business for the week commencing the 29th November 2010.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	26.11.2010	00	01

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186.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd and 4th Reports of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution on Demands for Grants (2009-10) and (2010-11) respectively, pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	30.11.2010	00	01
187.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	30.11.2010	00	01
188.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 145th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.	Shri Bijoy Krishna Handique	30.11.2010	00	01
189.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report on Demands for Grants (2004-05); 14th Report on Demands for Grants (2006-07); 19th Report on Demands for Grants (2007-08); 31st Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09); and 38th Report on Demands for Grants (2010-11) of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	1.12.2010	00	01
190.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 206th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Space, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	1.12.2010	00	01
191.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Virbhadra Singh	2.12.2010	00	01
192.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Shri Jitin Prasada	2.12.2010	00	01
193.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2009-10) and (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Namo Narain Meena	3.12.2010	00	01

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194.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 12th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Namo Narain Meena	3.12.2010	00	01
195.	Government business for the week commencing the 6th December 2010	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	3.12.2010	00	01
196.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri M.M. Pallam Raju	6.12.2010	00	01
197.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 7th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	7.12.2010	00	01
198.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Bijoy Krishna Handique	7.12.2010	00	01
199.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	7.12.2010	00	01
200.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	8.12.2010	00	01
201.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 13th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Planning.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	8.12.2010	00	01
202.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Virbhadra Singh	9.12.2010	00	01
203.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 212th and 215th Reports of the Standing Committee on Industry pertaining to the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	9.12.2010	00	01
204.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 9th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development.	Dr. C.P. Joshi	9.12.2010	00	01

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205.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	9.12.2010	00	01
206.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	9.12.2010	00	01
207.	Correcting the reply given on 29 November 2010 to Unstarred Question No. 3107 by Dr. Gaddam Vivekanand, M.P. regarding inclusion of Jat Community in Other Backward Classes (OBC) category.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	10.12.2010	00	01
208.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.	Shri Kantilal Bhuria	10.12.2010	00	01
209.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	10.12.2010	00	01
210.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	10.12.2010	00	01
211.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 7th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	10.12.2010	00	01
212.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 8th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	10.12.2010	00	01
213.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 140th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Promotion of Tourism in Jammu and Kashmir pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	10.12.2010	00	01
214.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 94th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia	13.12.2010	00	01

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215.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 142nd Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on implementation of Central Scheme of Modernization of Prison Administration, pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri P. Chidambaram	13.12.2010	00	01
	SEVENTH SESSION				
216.	Regarding the constitution of a Joint Parliamentary Committee on the allocation of 2G Spectrum.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	22.2.2011	00	02
217.	The intent of the Government to initiate a national debate on the need to have legislation for the development of Sports at the national level and to deal with all matters connected therewith.	Shri Ajay Maken	22.2.2011	00	04
218.	Regarding efforts by the Ministry of External Affairs to assist Indians during recent crisis in the Gulf and Middle East, Indian Fishermen apprehended in Sri Lanka and Indian students in the Tri-Valley University in USA.	Shri S.M. Krishna	23.2.2011	00	01
219.	Government business for the week commencing the 28th February 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	25.2.2011	00	07
220.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 154th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	4.3.2011	00	01
221.	Government business for the week commencing the 7th March 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	4.3.2011	00	07
222.	Regarding the Appointment of Central Vigilance Commissioner.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	7.3.2011	00	02
223.	Regarding the issue of Piracy.	Shri S.M. Krishna	11.3.2011	00	05
224.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 204th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2010-11), pertaining to the Ministry of Earth Sciences.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	11.3.2011	00	01
225.	Government business for the week commencing the 14th March 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	11.3.2011	00	09
226.	Regarding the Earthquake and Tsunami in Japan.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	14.3.2011	00	06
227.	Correcting the reply given on 3 March 2011 to Starred Question No.106 by Shri Modugula Venugopala Reddy, M.P. regarding 'Water Logging and Drainage System'.	Shri Vincent H. Pala	14.3.2011	00	01
228.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 155th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.	Dr. C.P. Joshi	14.3.2011	00	01

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229.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 93rd Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	14.3.2011	00	01
230.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 156th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Shipping.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	15.3.2011	00	01
231.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 3rd Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2010-11), pertaining to the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs.	Shri Vayalar Ravi	16.3.2011	00	01
232.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 8th Report of the Standing Committee on Railways on Protection and Security of Railway Property and Passengers pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	16.3.2011	00	01
233.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 2nd and 4th Reports of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2009-10) and (2010-11) respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of External Affairs.	Smt. Preneet Kaur	16.3.2011	00	01
234.	Regarding the newspaper report on Payment of Cash for Votes.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	18.3.2011	00	03
235.	Government business for the week commencing the 22nd March 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	18.3.2011	00	01
236.	Correcting the reply given on 17 August 2010 to Unstarred Question No. 3827 by Smt. Darshana Vikram Jardosh and Shri Harish Choudhary, MPs regarding Decline in Cow Population and the reasons for delay in making the statement.	Shri Arun S. Yadav	22.3.2011	00	01
237.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 7th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.	Kumari Selja	22.3.2011	00	01
238.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Shri Harish Rawat	22.3.2011	00	01
239.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 9th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Shri Harish Rawat	22.3.2011	00	01

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240.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri A.K. Antony	23.3.2011	00	01
241.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 8th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Construction of Roads in Border Areas of the Country pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri A.K. Antony	23.3.2011	00	01
242.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 218th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	23.3.2011	00	01
243.	Correcting the reply given on 7 March 2011 to Unstarred Question No. 1710 by Shri K.D. Deshmukh, Abdul Rahman and Shri P. Viswanathan, MPs regarding Looting of Ships.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	24.3.2011	00	01
244.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 30th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri R.P.N. Singh	24.3.2011	00	01
245.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Power.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	24.3.2011	00	01
246.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Textiles.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	25.3.2011	00	01
	EIGHTH SESSION				
247.	Regarding the Commonwealth Games (CWG) 2010.	Shri Ajay Maken	2.8.2011	00	01
248.	Regarding the visit of Foreign Minister of Pakistan to India.	Shri S.M. Krishna	3.8.2011	00	10
249.	Regarding the situation in Sri Lanka.	Shri S.M. Krishna	4.8.2011	00	01
250.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 217th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Action Taken by the Government on recommendations contained in the 208th Report on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	4.8.2011	00	01
251.	Government business for the week commencing the 8th August 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	5.8.2011	00	08

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252.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 135th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Border Fencing and Floodlighting Projects along Indo-Pak border, pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	9.8.2011	00	01
253.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 136th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	9.8.2011	00	01
254.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 215th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Space.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	10.8.2011	00	01
255.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 7th and 12th Reports of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2009-10) and (2010-11), respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Minority Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	11.8.2011	00	01
256.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 214th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	11.8.2011	00	01
257.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 13th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	12.8.2011	00	01
258.	Government business for the week commencing the 16th August 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	12.8.2011	00	07
259.	Regarding setting up of Lok Pal and certain events that took place on 16 August 2011 in New Delhi.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	17.8.2011	00	24
260.	Correcting the reply given on 9 March 2011 to Unstarred Question No. 2154 by Shri S.R. Jeyadurai, M.P. and others regarding Utilisation of Spectrum and delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	17.8.2011	00	01
261.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Renewable Energy on Rural Applications pertaining to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	19.8.2011	00	01
262.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Funding of New and Renewable Energy Projects pertaining to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	19.8.2011	00	01

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263.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 16th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Small and Mini Hydel Project pertaining to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	19.8.2011	00	01
264.	Government business for the week commencing the 23rd August 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	19.8.2011	00	09
265.	Correcting the reply given on 15 March 2011 to Unstarred Question No.3018 by Shri K. Sudhakaran, M.P. regarding Innovative Course for Youth and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Ajay Maken	23.8.2011	00	01
266.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 28th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Planning.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	24.8.2011	00	01
267.	Regarding issues relating to setting up of a Lok Pal.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	27.8.2011	00	26
268.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.	Shri Mukul Balkrishna Wasnik	29.8.2011	00	01
269.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 26th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Namo Narain Meena	30.8.2011	00	01
270.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 8th and 19th Reports of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education, Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Harish Rawat	30.8.2011	00	01
271.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th and 8th Reports of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	30.8.2011	00	01
272.	Regarding the Court cases relating to elections to the Shiromani Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee (SGPC).	Shri P. Chidambaram	2.9.2011	00	03
273.	Government business for the remaining part of the Session.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	2.9.2011	00	01
274.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 10th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Beni Prasad Verma	5.9.2011	00	01

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275.	Correcting the reply given on 9 August 2011 to Unstarred Question No.1606 by Shri Subhash Bapurao Wankhede, M.P. and other members regarding Shortage of Foodgrains and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	6.9.2011	00	01
276.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 7th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	6.9.2011	00	01
277.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 62nd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Management of funds by the Department of Posts through Banking and Insurance activities, pertaining to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	6.9.2011	00	01
278.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th and 9th Reports of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2009-10) and (2010-11), respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant	6.9.2011	00	01
279.	Correcting the reply given on 3 August 2011 to Unstarred Question No.636 by Shri G.M. Siddheshwara, M.P. regarding Establishment of Nuclear Plants and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	7.9.2011	00	01
280.	Regarding Bomb Blast near Delhi High Court.	Shri P. Chidambaram	7.9.2011	00	16
281.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1st, 14th, 19th, 31st and 43rd Reports of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice on Demands for Grants (2004-05), (2006-07), (2007-08), (2008-09) and (2010-11), respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	7.9.2011	00	01
282.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 39th, 40th, 41st and 42nd Reports of the Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Departments of Health and Family Welfare; Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy (AYUSH); Health Research; and Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) Control, respectively, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.	Shri Sudip Bandyopadhyay	7.9.2011	00	01
283.	Regarding the visit of Hon'ble Prime Minister to Dhaka, Bangladesh on the 6-7 September 2011.	Shri S.M. Krishna	8.9.2011	00	01

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284.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 8th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Development on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	8.9.2011	00	01
	NINTH SESSION				
285.	Regarding the Inflation situation in India.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	22.11.2011	00	01
286.	Correcting the reply given on 30 August 2011 to Unstarred Question No.4568 by Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh Lalan, M.P. and other Members regarding Rise in Prices and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	22.11.2011	00	01
287.	Regarding incident of Fire in Train No.13009 Howrah Dehradun Express between Nimiaghat and Parasnath stations of East Central Railway on 22 November 2011.	Shri Dinesh Trivedi	22.11.2011	00	01
288.	Regarding the first meeting of Prime Minister's Committee on National e-Governance Plan (NeGP) held on 23 November 2011.	Shri Kapil Sibal	25.11.2011	00	01
289.	Regarding the decision of the Union Cabinet on the Revival Reform and Restructuring Package for Handloom Sector.	Shri Anand Sharma	25.11.2011	00	01
290.	Regarding the policy on Foreign Direct Investment for allowing Foreign Director Investment (FDI) in Multi-Brand Retail Trading and liberalization of the policy in Single-Brand Retail Trading.	Shri Anand Sharma	25.11.2011	00	01
291.	Government business for the week commencing the 28th November 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	25.11.2011	00	01
292.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 13th Report of the Standing Committee on Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution pertaining to the Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	29.11.2011	00	01
293.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	2.12.2011	00	01
294.	Government business for the week commencing the 7th December 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	2.12.2011	00	02
295.	Regarding the Government's decision to suspend permission of 51% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Multi-Brand Retail Trade till a consensus was developed through consultation among various stakeholders.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	7.12.2011	00	02

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296.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on working of Brahmputra Board pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	8.12.2011	00	01
297.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 222nd Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the 217th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.	Shri Virbhadra Singh	8.12.2011	00	01
298.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 9th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2009-10) pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Dinsha J. Patel	9.12.2011	00	01
299.	Government business for the week commencing the 12th December 2011.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	9.12.2011	00	08
300.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 40th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Problems being faced by Workers due to sickness of Hindustan Machine Tools (HMT) Units pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	12.12.2011	00	01
301.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Deficient Monsoon and steps taken by the Government to mitigate its impact on Agriculture Sector pertaining to the Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	13.12.2011	00	01
302.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	13.12.2011	00	01
303.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 218th and 219th Reports of the Standing Committee on Industry pertaining to the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	15.12.2011	00	01
304.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 37th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Dr. M. Veerappa Moily	15.12.2011	00	01
305.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 17th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Minority Affairs.	Shri Vincent H. Pala	15.12.2011	00	01

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306.	Regarding the United Nation's Climate Change Conference at Durban.	Smt. Jayanthi Natarajan	16.12.2011	00	01
307.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 10th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on implementation of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006–Rules made thereunder pertaining to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	16.12.2011	00	01
308.	Government business for the remaining part of the Session.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	16.12.2011	00	01
309.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 97th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Anand Sharma	19.12.2011	00	01
310.	Regarding the decision of the Union Cabinet on the Comprehensive Package for Handloom Sector.	Shri Anand Sharma	19.12.2011	00	01
311.	Regarding Court hearing in a Russian city on the Bhagwad Gita.	Shri S.M. Krishna	20.12.2011	00	09
312.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th and 12th Reports of the Standing Committee on Railways on Demands for Grants (2011-12) and New Railway Recruitment Policy pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	20.12.2011	00	01
313.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 9th, 10th and 14th Reports of the Standing Committee on Energy on Funding of Power Projects, Availability of Gas and Coal for Power Sector and Transmission and Distribution Systems and Networks, respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Power.	Shri K.C. Venugopal	20.12.2011	00	01
314.	Correcting the replies given to Unstarred Question No.654 dated 3 August 2011 asked by Shri Harsh Vardhan and Smt. Sushila Saroj, M.Ps regarding irregularities in MDMS and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Smt. D. Purandeswari	21.12.2011	00	01
315.	Correcting the replies given to Unstarred Question No.2656 dated 17 August 2011 asked by Badruddin Ajmal and Hamdullah Sayeed, MPs regarding Job Oriented Higher Education and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Smt. D. Purandeswari	21.12.2011	00	01
316.	Correcting the replies given to Unstarred Question No.1519 dated 30 November 2011 asked by Shri Sudarshan Bhagat, M.P. regarding Construction of University Building and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Smt. D. Purandeswari	21.12.2011	00	01

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317.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 198th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on Professionalization of Boards of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) pertaining to the Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	22.12.2011	00	01
318.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 16th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Development of Jute Sector pertaining to the Ministry of Textiles.	Smt. Panabaka Lakshmi	22.12.2011	00	01
319.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 8th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	27.12.2011	00	01
320.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.	Shri Mukul Balkrishna Wasnik	27.12.2011	00	01
321.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Scholarship schemes for Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes pertaining to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.	Shri Mukul Balkrishna Wasnik	27.12.2011	00	01
322.	Regarding creation of a sub-quota of 4.5% for Centrally Notified Minority Communities within the reservation of 27% quota available to Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in government jobs and admission to Central Educational Institutions.	Shri Salman Khurshid	28.12.2011	00	11
323.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 13th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Production, Pricing and Distribution of Molasses pertaining to the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	29.12.2011	00	01
	TENTH SESSION				
324.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 33rd Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Departments of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	13.3.2012	00	`01
325.	Regarding the situation in Sri Lanka.	Shri S.M. Krishna	14.3.2012	00	15
326.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 21st Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	15.3.2012	00	01

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327.	Loss of human lives at an Unmanned Level Crossings near Hathras in North-Eastern Railway in an accident on 20 March 2012.	Shri Mukul Roy	20.3.2012	00	03
328.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 150th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on the Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 144th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	20.3.2012	00	01
329.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 21st Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	21.3.2012	00	01
330.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 10th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Augmentation of Depleted Ground Water Level, Sustainable Development, Conservation, Management, use of Ground Water and Prevention of Water Pollution pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	22.3.2012	00	01
331.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 213th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Earth Sciences.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	22.3.2012	00	01
332.	Regarding the revision of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) wage rates.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	26.3.2012	00	01
333.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 163rd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.	Shri Jitin Prasada	26.3.2012	00	01
334.	Correcting the reply given on 29 November 2011 to Starred Question No.102 by Shri Mangani Lal Mandal and Shri Syed Shahnawaz Hussain, M.Ps regarding circulation of fake Indian Currency Notes and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Jitendra Singh	27.3.2012	00	01
335.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 22nd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	27.3.2012	00	01
336.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 12th Report of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	27.3.2012	00	01

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337.	Correcting the reply given on 22 March 2012 to Unstarred Question No.1507 raised by Shri P.C. Gaddigoudar and Kumari Saroj Pandey, M.Ps. regarding New Zones/Divisions in the Railways.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	29.3.2012	00	01
338.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 6th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	30.3.2012	00	01
339.	Status of further implementation of the recommendations contained in the 162nd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the 154th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2010-11) (Demand No.93) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	30.3.2012	00	01
340.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 24th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	30.3.2012	00	01
341.	Regarding the visit of President of Pakistan to India on 8th April 2012.	Shri S.M. Krishna	25.4.2012	00	05
342.	Correcting the reply given on 28 March 2012 to Starred Question No.217 by Shri Asaduddin Owaisi and Shri Nama Nageswara Rao, M.Ps regarding Aircraft under EU Emission Trading.	Shri Ajit Singh	25.4.2012	00	02
343.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 10th Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2011-12), pertaining to the Ministry of External Affairs.	Smt. Preneet Kaur	25.4.2012	00	01
344.	Regarding launch of Radar Imaging Satellite-1 (RISAT-1) by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) through Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C19) from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	26.4.2012	00	01
345.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 20th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	26.4.2012	00	01
346.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 34th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	27.4.2012	00	01
347.	Government business for the week commencing the 30th April 2012.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	27.4.2012	00	01

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348.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 12th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Modernisation and Expansion of Steel Sector, pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Beni Prasad Verma	30.4.2012	00	01
349.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 18th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Beni Prasad Verma	30.4.2012	00	01
350.	Government business for the week commencing the 7th May 2012.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	4.5.2012	00	07
351.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 23rd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2011-12) and further action based on the comments contained in the 29th Report of the Committee, pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant	8.5.2012	00	01
352.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 152nd Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Revamping and Revitalization of Civil Defence in the Country pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	8.5.2012	00	01
353.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 14th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Prof. Saugata Roy	8.5.2012	00	01
354.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 21st Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Infrastructural Facilities for Development of Food Processing Industries, pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant	8.5.2012	00	01
355.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 25th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant	8.5.2012	00	01
356.	Regarding the issue of persecution of Hindus in some parts of Pakistan.	Shri S.M. Krishna	9.5.2012	00	05
357.	Correcting the reply given on 3 May 2012 to Unstarred Question No. 4485 raised by Shri Shivaji Adhalrao Patil, Anandrao Adsul, Dharmendra Yadav, Gajanan D. Babar and P. Kumar regarding Co-operation in oil exploration with Qatar.	Shri R.P.N. Singh	10.5.2012	00	01

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358.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 220th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	10.5.2012	00	01
359.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 18th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	11.5.2012	00	01
360.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 172nd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the Development of Tourism in North-Eastern Region pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	11.5.2012	00	01
361.	Government business for the remaining part of the Session.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	11.5.2012	00	02
362.	Regarding Aircel-Maxis deal.	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	14.5.2012	00	04
363.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 19th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	14.5.2012	00	01
364.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 17th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Welfare of Beedi Workers pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	14.5.2012	00	01
365.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.	Kumari Selja	15.5.2012	00	01
366.	Correcting the reply given on 2 May 2012 to Starred Question No. 365 by Sarvashri Neeraj Shekhar and Asaduddin Owaisi, M.Ps regarding Implementation of Right to Education (RTE) Act.	Shri Kapil Sibal	16.5.2012	00	01
367.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 17th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Dinsha J. Patel	16.5.2012	00	01
368.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the: (i) 1st Report on Demands for Grants (2004-05); (ii) 14th Report on Demands for Grants (2006-07); (iii) 19th Report on Demands for Grants (2007-08); (iv) 31st Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09); and (v) 43rd Report on Demands for Grants (2010-11) of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice, pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	16.5.2012	00	01

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369.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 23rd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2011-12), pertaining to the Department of Electronics and Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	16.5.2012	00	01
370.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Modernisation of Post Offices pertaining to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	16.5.2012	00	01
371.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 24th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Harish Rawat	17.5.2012	00	01
372.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 37th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri R.P.N. Singh	17.5.2012	00	01
373.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 152nd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken by the Government on the observations/recommendations contained in the 140th Report of the Committee on Promotion of Tourism in Jammu and Kashmir pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	18.5.2012	00	01
374.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 153rd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the Action Taken by the Government on the observations/recommendations contained in the 149th Report of the Committee on Development of Tourism Infrastructure and Amenities for the Commonwealth Games 2010 pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	18.5.2012	00	01
375.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 12th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri A.K. Antony	21.5.2012	00	01
376.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 23rd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Agriculture Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Harish Rawat	22.5.2012	00	01

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377.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 19th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	22.5.2012	00	01
378.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 20th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	22.5.2012	00	01
379.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 22nd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Dr. S. Jagathrakshakan	22.5.2012	00	01
		ELEVENTH SESSION			
380.	Government business for the week commencing the 13th August 2012.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar (On behalf of Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal)	9.8.2012	00	10
381.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 9th Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs.	Shri Vayalar Ravi	17.8.2012	00	01
382.	Government business for the week commencing the 21st August 2012.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	17.8.2012	00	02
383.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 33rd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant	21.8.2012	00	01
384.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 9th Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Challenges of Under-recoveries of Petroleum Products pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Shri R.P.N. Singh	23.8.2012	00	01
385.	Government business for the week commencing the 27th August 2012.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	24.8.2012	00	01
386.	Regarding Performance Audit Report on allocation of Coal Blocks and Augmentation of Coal Production.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	27.8.2012	00	02
387.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 18th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Directorate General of Employment and Training – A Review pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	27.8.2012	00	01

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388.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 20th and 29th Reports of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2011-12) and (2012-13), respectively, pertaining to the Ministry of Textiles.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	27.8.2012	00	01
389.	Correcting the reply given on 21st August 2012 to Unstarred Question No.1525 by Shri Manish Tewari, M.P. regarding Strength of CPMFs/CPOs.	Shri Jitendra Singh	28.8.2012	00	01
390.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 32nd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	28.8.2012	00	01
391.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 35th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Sharad Pawar	28.8.2012	00	01
392.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 18th Report of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, pertaining to the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	28.8.2012	00	01
393.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 26th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Minority Affairs.	Shri Salman Khurshid	30.8.2012	00	01
394.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 18th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	30.8.2012	00	01
395.	Government business for the week commencing the 3rd September 2012.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	31.8.2012	00	01
396.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 164th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Shipping.	Shri G.K. Vasan	3.9.2012	00	01
397.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 26th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Development of Abiotic Stress Resistant Crop Varieties and Dissemination of Production Enhancing Technologies – Review of Research and Development (R&D) and Extension Efforts in the Country pertaining to the Department of Agriculture Research and Education, Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Harish Rawat (On behalf of Shri Sharad Pawar)	4.9.2012	00	01

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398.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 16th and 21st Reports of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	4.9.2012	00	01
399.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 44th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Departments of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Namo Narain Meena (On behalf of Shri P. Chidambaram)	5.9.2012	00	01
400.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 4th, 8th, 13th, 16th and 21st Reports of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2010-11) and (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Coal.	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal	5.9.2012	00	01
401.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 34th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Electronics and Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Sachin Pilot	5.9.2012	00	01
402.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 223rd Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Dr. Ashwani Kumar	5.9.2012	00	01
403.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 228th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on Revival and Restructuring of Cement Corporation of India Ltd. (CCI) pertaining to the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	6.9.2012	00	01
404.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 14th Report of the Standing Committee on Railways on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	6.9.2012	00	01
405.	Correcting the reply given on 18 May 2012 to Starred Question No. 610 by Shri Makhansingh Solanki and Shri Shivaji Adhalrao Patil, M.Ps regarding Tobacco Attributable Diseases and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad	7.9.2012	00	01
406.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 16th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	7.9.2012	00	01

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407.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 22nd Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2011-12), pertaining to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	7.9.2012	00	01
408.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 19th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	7.9.2012	00	01
409.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 19th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Power.	Shri K.C. Venugopal	7.9.2012	00	01
		TWELFTH SESSION			
410.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 19th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.	Shri Ajay Maken	27.11.2012	00	01
411.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 29th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	30.11.2012	00	01
412.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	30.11.2012	00	01
413.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 26th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Beni Prasad Verma	4.12.2012	00	01
414.	Regarding construction of a Befitting Memorial to Bharat Ratna Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar at Mumbai.	Shri Anand Sharma	5.12.2012	00	04
415.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 227th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2012-13), pertaining to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	5.12.2012	00	01
416.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 18th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Smt. Deepa Dasmunsi	5.12.2012	00	01

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417.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 25th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Disbursement of wages to Labourers under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act by Post Offices pertaining to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Dr. (Smt.) Kruparani Killi	5.12.2012	00	01
418.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 28th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	6.12.2012	00	01
419.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 36th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Optimization of Employment Generation Potential of Animal Husbandry Sector pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant (on behalf of Shri Sharad Pawar)	11.12.2012	00	01
420.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 17th Report of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	11.12.2012	00	01
421.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 162nd Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	11.12.2012	00	01
422.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 231st Report of the Committee on Industry on Action Taken notes on 223rd report of the Committee on Revival and Restructuring of North Eastern Handicrafts and Handlooms Development Corporation Ltd. pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	11.12.2012	00	01
423.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 14th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Harish Rawat	13.12.2012	00	01
424.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 54th to 57th Reports of the Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Health and Family Welfare; Department of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH); Department of Health Research and Department of AIDS Control respectively, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.	Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad	14.12.2012	00	01

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425.	Regarding the visit of the interior Minister of Pakistan to India on December 14 - 16, 2012.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	17.12.2012	00	05
426.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.	Shri P. Naik Balram (on behalf of Kumari Selja)	17.12.2012	00	01
427.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 101st Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2012-13) (Demand No.12) pertaining to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Anand Sharma (on behalf of Shri S. Jagathrakshakan)	17.12.2012	00	01
428.	Regarding the incident of gang rape in South Delhi on 16 December 2012.	Shri Shushil Kumar Shinde	18.12.2012	00	06
429.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 24th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Coal.	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal	18.12.2012	00	01
430.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 25th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Dinsha J. Patel	18.12.2012	00	01
431.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 161st Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	18.12.2012	00	01
432.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 34th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant (on behalf of Shri Tariq Anwar)	18.12.2012	00	01
433.	Regarding the incident of gang rape in South Delhi on 16 December 2012.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	19.12.2012	00	04
434.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 228th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	19.12.2012	00	01
435.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 178th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.	Dr. C.P. Joshi	19.12.2012	00	01

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436.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 225th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Space.	Shri Rajeev Shukla (on behalf of Shri V. Narayanasamy)	19.12.2012	00	01
437.	Correcting the Hindi version of the reply given on 29 November 2012 to Starred Question No. 83 by Shri Rudra Madhab Ray and Arjun Charan Sethi, M.Ps regarding Access to Electricity and the reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia	20.12.2012	00	01
438.	Correcting the reply given on 10 May 2012 to Unstarred Question No. 5542 by Shri Shivaramagouda, M.P. regarding Certified Khadi and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	20.12.2012	00	01
439.	Correcting the reply given on 22 November 2012 to Unstarred Question No. 169 by Shri Shivaramagouda, M.P. regarding Certified Khadi and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	20.12.2012	00	01
440.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 30th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	20.12.2012	00	01
441.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 234th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.	Shri Praful Manoharbhai Patel	20.12.2012	00	01
442.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 229th and 235th Reports of the Standing Committee on Industry pertaining to the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	20.12.2012	00	01
443.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Railways on New Catering Policy-2010 of Indian Railways pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury	20.12.2012	00	01
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444.	Regarding two Bomb Blasts in Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	22.2.2013	00	03
445.	Correcting the reply to Unstarred Question No. 3754 given on 17 December 2012 asked by Shri Purnmasi Ram, M.P. regarding Gifts from Kendriya Bhandar.	Shri A.K. Antony	4.3.2013	00	01
446.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 28th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Kodikunnil Suresh	4.3.2013	00	01

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447.	Government business for the week commencing the 4th March 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	4.3.2013	00	01
448.	Regarding Bhandara Rape Incident in Maharashtra.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	5.3.2013	00	01
449.	Regarding the revision of MGNREGA wage rates.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	5.3.2013	00	01
450.	Correction in the list of documents presented along with Railways Budget on 26 February 2013.	Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal	6.3.2013	00	01
451.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 177th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Shipping.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	6.3.2013	00	01
452.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 31st Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	6.3.2013	00	01
453.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 233rd Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	7.3.2013	00	01
454.	Government business for the week commencing the 11th March 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	8.3.2013	00	08
455.	Correcting the reply to Unstarred Question No. 3758 given on 17 December 2012 asked by Shri Jose K. Mani, M.P. regarding Safety of GM Technology.	Smt. Jayanthi Natarajan	11.3.2013	00	01
456.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 32nd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Shri Manish Tewari	12.3.2013	00	01
457.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 170th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the Modernization of Major Ports pertaining to the Ministry of Shipping.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	13.3.2013	00	01
458.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 33rd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Dr. Kruparani Killi	13.3.2013	00	01
459.	Regarding Terrorist Attack in Srinagar.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	14.3.2013	00	06

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460.	Regarding the apprehension of Indian fishermen by Sri Lankan Navy.	Smt. Preneet Kaur	14.3.2013	00	04
461.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 11th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on review of Central Soil and Material Research Station pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Harish Rawat	15.3.2013	00	01
462.	Government business for the week commencing the 18th March 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	15.3.2013	00	08
463.	Correcting the reply to Starred Question No. 84 given on 4 March 2013 asked by Shri Bhartruhari Mahtab, M.P. regarding Industrial Output.	Shri Anand Sharma	18.3.2013	00	01
464.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 51st Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Departments of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri P. Chidambaram	19.3.2013	00	01
465.	Correcting the reply given on 19 December 2012 to Starred Question No. 362 by Shri Mangani Lal Mandal regarding Kendriya Vidyalayas and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Dr. M.M. Pallam Raju	20.3.2013	00	02
466.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 225th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Space.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	20.3.2013	00	01
467.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 232nd Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in the 222nd Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Atomic Energy.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	20.3.2013	00	01
468.	Regarding reforms in Civil Services (Main) Examination.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	21.3.2013	00	02
469.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 27th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation.	Shri Bharatsinh M. Solanki	21.3.2013	00	01
470.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 55th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri Sachin Pilot	21.3.2013	00	01
471.	Correcting the reply to Unstarred Question No. 3048 given on 15 March 2013 asked by Shri Nama Nageswara Rao and two other M.Ps. regarding Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Empanelled Hospitals.	Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad	22.3.2013	00	01

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472.	Regarding return of two Italian Marines to India accused in the killing of two Indian fishermen.	Shri Salman Khurshid	22.3.2013	00	01
473.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 176th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Dr. K. Chiranjeevi	22.3.2013	00	01
474.	Regarding the incident relating to Rape of Minor Child in Delhi.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	22.4.2013	00	01
475.	Regarding Bomb Blast at Bangalore.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	22.4.2013	00	01
476.	Correcting the reply given on 12 March 2013 to Unstarred Question No. 2306 asked by Shri Dilipkumar Mansukhlal Gandhi, MP regarding Oilseeds Board.	Shri Tariq Anwar	23.4.2013	00	01
477.	Government business for the week commencing the 29th April 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	26.4.2013	00	03
478.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 40th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Agriculture Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Tariq Anwar	30.4.2013	00	01
479.	Correcting the English version of reply given on 7 March 2013 to Unstarred Question No. 1775 by Shrimati Kamla Devi Patle, M.P. regarding Monitoring of Production and Marketing of Drugs and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	2.5.2013	00	01
480.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 237th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	2.5.2013	00	01
481.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 27th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	3.5.2013	00	01
482.	Government business for the remaining part of the Session.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	3.5.2013	00	01
483.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 96th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Action Taken by the Government on observations/recommendations contained in the 93rd Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Smt. D. Purandeswari	6.5.2013	00	01

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484.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 100th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2012-13), pertaining to the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Smt. D. Purandeswari	6.5.2013	00	01
485.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 13th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Performance of Coast Guard Organization pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri Jitendra Singh	6.5.2013	00	01
486.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 42nd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2012-13), pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Shri Tariq Anwar	7.5.2013	00	01
487.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the (i) 1st Report on Demands for Grants (2004-05); (ii) 14th Report on Demands for Grants (2006-07); (iii) 19th Report on Demands for Grants (2007-08); (iv) 31st Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09); (v) 43rd Report on Demands for Grants (2010-11); (vi) 51st Report on Demands for Grants (2012-13) of the Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice, pertaining to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	8.5.2013	00	01
488.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 14th Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of External Affairs	Smt. Preneet Kaur	8.5.2013	00	01
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489.	Government of India's response and measures taken for relief and reconstruction in the wake of Natural Disaster in Uttarakhand.	Shri A.K. Antony	6.8.2013	00	04
490.	Regarding ambush by Pakistan Army close to the Line of Control in Punch Sector of Jammu & Kashmir.	Shri A.K. Antony	6.8.2013	00	02
491.	Regarding the scheme — Introduction of Mechanism for Marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and Development of Value Chair for MFP.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	7.8.2013	00	01
492.	Correcting the reply given on 13 March 2013 to Unstarred Question No. 2699 by Prof. (Dr.) Ranjan Prasad Yadav and other Members regarding shortage of Faculty in National Institutes of Technology (NITs) and Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Dr. Shashi Tharoor	7.8.2013	00	03
493.	Regarding unprovoked attack on Indian troops on Indian side of Line of Control.	Shri A.K. Antony	8.8.2013	00	02

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494.	Government business for the week commencing the 12th August 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	8.8.2013	00	04
495.	Correcting the reply to Unstarred Question No. 6398 given on 6 May 2013 asked by Ramesh Bais, Rudra Madhab Ray and Jeetendra Singh Bundela, M.Ps regarding Howitzer Guns.	Shri Jitendra Singh	12.8.2013	00	01
496.	Regarding Current Account Deficit.	Shri P. Chidambaram	12.8.2013	00	02
497.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 60th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Departments of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri P. Chidambaram	13.8.2013	00	01
498.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 14th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2010-11) pertaining to the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	13.8.2013	00	02
499.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 36th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	13.8.2013	00	02
500.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 54th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	13.8.2013	00	02
501.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 26th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	13.8.2013	00	02
502.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 27th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	13.8.2013	00	02
503.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 39th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Action Taken by the Government on the observations/ recommendations contained in the 21st Report of the Committee on Infrastructural Facilities for Development of Food Processing Industries – An Evaluation pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant	13.8.2013	00	01

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504.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 240th Report of the Standing Committee on Industry pertaining to the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	14.8.2013	00	02
505.	Government business for the week commencing the 19th August 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	14.8.2013	00	08
506.	Regarding the incident of major fire onboard Indian Navy Submarine INS Sindhurakshak.	Shri A.K. Antony	20.8.2013	00	01
507.	Regarding the incident occurred at Dhamara Ghat Railway Station on East Central Railway resulting in loss of human lives and injuries.	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge	20.8.2013	00	01
508.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 46th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2011-12) pertaining to the Ministry of Planning.	Shri Rajeev Shukla	20.8.2013	00	01
509.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 62nd Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Planning.	Shri Rajeev Shukla	20.8.2013	00	01
510.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 32nd Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) pertaining to the Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	22.8.2013	00	01
511.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 46th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.	Shri Manish Tewari	22.8.2013	00	01
512.	Correcting the reply to Unstarred Question No.1924 given on 8 March 2013 asked by Dr. Ratna De (Nag), MP regarding Human Development Index.	Shri A.H. Khan Choudhury	23.8.2013	00	01
513.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 52nd Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance.	Shri P. Chidambaram	23.8.2013	00	01
514.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 25th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	23.8.2013	00	01
515.	Government business for the week commencing the 26th August 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	24.8.2013	00	10
516.	Regarding the Mumbai Gang-rape incident.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	26.8.2013	00	03

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517.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 36th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Textiles.	Dr. Kavuri Samba Siva Rao	26.8.2013	00	01
518.	Correcting the reply given on 6 August 2013 to Starred Question No. 32 by Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal, M.P. regarding Service Condition for Chandigarh Employees and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	27.8.2013	00	01
519.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 24th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.	Kumari Selja	27.8.2013	00	01
520.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 28th Report of the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, Demands for Grants (2013-14), pertaining to the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	27.8.2013	00	01
521.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 25th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	27.8.2013	00	01
522.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 29th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority' (NPPA), pertaining to the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	27.8.2013	00	01
523.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 165th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on the Action Taken by the Government on recommendations contained in the 161st Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	27.8.2013	00	01
524.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 48th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF), Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Tariq Anwar (On behalf of Shri Charan Das Mahant)	27.8.2013	00	01
525.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 47th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Agricultural Research and Education, Ministry of Agriculture.	Shri Tariq Anwar	27.8.2013	00	01

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526.	Correcting the reply given on 22 November 2013 to Unstarred Question No.138 by Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Shri Raosaheb Patil Danve and Shri Prataprao Ganpatrao Jadhav regarding New Line Projects and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury	29.8.2013	00	01
527.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 240th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	29.8.2013	00	02
528.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 64th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri Sachin Pilot	29.8.2013	00	01
529.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 116th, 125th, 138th, 140th and 147th Reports of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants pertaining to the Ministry of Civil Aviation.	Shri K.C. Venugopal	29.8.2013	00	01
530.	Regarding Current Economic Situation in the country.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	30.8.2013	00	06
531.	Correcting the reply given on 10 March 2011 to Unstarred Question No. 2423 by Dr. Mahesh Joshi, M.P. regarding Ownership of Natural Oil and Gas Resources and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	30.8.2013	00	01
532.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 184th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations contained in the 176th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.	Dr. K. Chiranjeevi	30.8.2013	00	01
533.	Government business for the week commencing the 2nd September 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	30.8.2013	00	02
534.	Regarding reported missing of files relating to allocation of Coal Blocks.	Dr. Manmohan Singh	3.9.2013	00	04
535.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 28th Report (2011-12) of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Production, Demand and Availability of fertilizers and its distribution pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	5.9.2013	00	01

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536.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 15th Report of the Standing Committee on Defence on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Defence.	Shri Jitendra Singh	5.9.2013	00	01
537.	Regarding report by Shri Shyam Saran, Chairman, National Security Advisory Board.	Shri A.K. Antony	6.9.2013	00	04
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538.	Government business for the week commencing the 9th December 2013.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	9.12.2013	00	02
539.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 166th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Action Taken by the Government on recommendations/ observations contained in the 162nd Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	10.12.2013	00	01
540.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 70th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	10.12.2013	00	01
541.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 170th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	10.12.2013	00	01
542.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 169th Report of the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran	10.12.2013	00	01
543.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 45th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	11.12.2013	00	01
544.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 38th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Jairam Ramesh	12.12.2013	00	01
545.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 244th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri Jesudasu Seelam	12.12.2013	00	01

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546.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 245th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri Jesudasu Seelam	12.12.2013	00	01
547.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 34th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	13.12.2013	00	01
548.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 180th Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on the Development of Tourism in North-Eastern Region.	Shri Manish Tewari	13.12.2013	00	01
549.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 16th Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	13.12.2013	00	01
550.	Regarding the outcome of the 9th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) held at Bali, Indonesia from 3rd to 7th December, 2013.	Shri Anand Sharma	17.12.2013		
551.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the following reports of the Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare on: (i) 61st Report on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 55th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) (Demand No. 47) pertaining to the Department of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; (ii) 62nd Report on the Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 57th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) (Demand No. 49) pertaining to the Department of Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) Control, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; (iii) 63rd Report on the Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 56th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) (Demand No. 48) pertaining to the Department of Health Research, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; and	Shri A.H. Khan Choudhury	17.12.2013	00	01

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	(iv) 64th Report on the Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/ observations contained in the 54th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) (Demands No. 46) pertaining to the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.				
552.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 183rd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Shipping.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	17.12.2013	00	01
553.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 33rd Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Coal.	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal	17.12.2013	00	01
554.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 35th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Beni Prasad Verma	17.12.2013	00	01
555.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 33rd Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	17.12.2013	00	01
556.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 34th Report of the Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Srikant Kumar Jena	17.12.2013	00	01
557.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 107th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Dr. E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan	17.12.2013	00	01
558.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 108th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Police and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Dr. E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan	17.12.2013	00	01
559.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 67th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Economic Affairs, Financial Services, Expenditure and Disinvestment, Ministry of Finance.	Shri Jesudasu Seelam	18.12.2013	00	01

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560.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 239th and 244th Reports of the Standing Committee on Industry pertaining to the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME).	Shri K.H. Muniyappa	18.12.2013	00	01
561.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 242nd Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Space.	Shri Kapil Sibal	18.12.2013	00	01
562.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 43rd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	18.12.2013	00	01
563.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 44th Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Electronics and Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	Shri Milind Murli Deora	18.12.2013	00	01
564.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 247th Report of the Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology.	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy	6.2.2014	00	01
565.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the following reports of the Standing Committee on Railways (i) 19th Report on Passenger Amenities and Passenger Safety in Indian Railways pertaining to the Ministry of Railways; and (ii) 20th Report on Demands for Grants (2013-14), pertaining to the Ministry of Railways.	Shri Adhir Ranjan Choudhary	6.2.2014	00	01
566.	Government business for the week commencing the 10th February 2014.	Shri V. Narayanasamy	7.2.2014	00	02
567.	Correcting the reply to Starred Question No.144 given on 16 December 2013 asked by Sarvashri Yashvir Singh and Neeraj Shekhar, M.Ps regarding Irregularities in Defence Deals.	Shri A.K. Antony	10.2.2014	00	01
568.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 46th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture.	Dr. Charan Das Mahant	10.2.2014	00	01
569.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 35th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Labour and Employment.	Shri Suresh Kodikunnil	10.2.2014	00	01

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570.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the following reports of the Standing Committee on Commerce: (i) 103rd Report on "Export of Food Grains – Premium Non-Basmati Rice and Wheat; and (ii) 104th Report on "Export Promotion of Agricultural and Processed Food Products" pertaining to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry).	Dr. E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan	10.2.2014	00	01
571.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 29th Report of the Standing Committee on Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution pertaining to the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.	Prof. K.V. Thomas	11.2.2014	00	01
572.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 27th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel (15th Lok Sabha) pertaining to the Ministry of Coal.	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal	11.2.2014	00	01
573.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 35th Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers (Department of Pharmaceuticals) on the Demands for Grants for the year 2013–14 pertaining to the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.	Shri Dinsha J. Patel	11.2.2014	00	01
574.	Regarding constitution of a Task Force to address the issues regarding scheduling of communities as Scheduled Tribes and related matters.	Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo	12.2.2014	00	01
575.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 25th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.	Dr. (Km.) Girija Vyas	12.2.2014	00	01
576.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 69th and 77th Reports of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Planning.	Shri Rajeev Shukla	12.2.2014	00	01
577.	Regarding state of affairs of the Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi.	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde	17.2.2014	00	02
578.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 17th Report of the Standing Committee on Water Resources on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Water Resources.	Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad	17.2.2014	00	01
579.	Status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 105th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Action taken by the Government on observations/recommendations contained in the 100th Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Shri Anand Sharma	17.2.2014	00	01

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580.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 28th Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Ministry of Power.	Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia	17.2.2014	00	01
581.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 24th Report of the Standing Committee on Urban Development on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Urban Development.	Smt. Deepa Dasmunsi	17.2.2014	00	01
582.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 193rd Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.	Shri Oscar Fernandes	18.2.2014	00	01
583.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 37th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour on Welfare of legal heirs of deceased workers of Rourkela Steel Plant – A case study, pertaining to the Ministry of Steel.	Shri Beni Prasad Verma	18.2.2014	00	01
584.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 34th Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Mines.	Shri Dinsha J. Patel	18.2.2014	00	01
585.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 20th Report of the Standing Committee on External Affairs on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of External Affairs.	Smt. Preneet Kaur	18.2.2014	00	01
586.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 49th Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.	Shri Paban Singh Ghatowar	18.2.2014	00	01
587.	Correcting the reply given on 22 August 2013 to Starred Question No.194 asked by Shri Raghuvir Singh Meena, M.P. regarding Foreign Airlines and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Ajit Singh	20.2.2014	00	01
588.	Correcting the reply given on August 8, 2013 to Unstarred Question No.743 asked by Dr. Nilesh N. Rane, M.P. regarding Rail Security and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.	Shri Adhir Ranjan Choudhary	20.2.2014	00	01
589.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 41st Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Pradeep Kumar Jain Aditya	20.2.2014	00	01
590.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 42nd Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Implementation of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 pertaining to the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development.	Shri Pradeep Kumar Jain Aditya	20.2.2014	00	01

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591.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 37th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Minority Affairs.	Shri K. Rahman Khan	20.2.2014	00	01
592.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 106th Report of the Standing Committee on Commerce on Demands for Grants (2012-13) pertaining to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	Dr. E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan	20.2.2014	00	01
593.	Regarding the revision of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) wage rates for the period 2014-15.	Shri Pradeep Kumar Jain Aditya	21.2.2014	00	01
594.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 40th Report of the Standing Committee on Rural Development on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation.	Shri Bharatsinh M. Solanki	21.2.2014	00	01
595.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 71st Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.	Shri Sachin Pilot	21.2.2014	00	01
596.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 36th Report of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment on Demands for Grants (2013-14) pertaining to the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.	Shri Manikrao Hodlya Gavit	21.2.2014	00	01
597.	Status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 18th Report of the Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas on Long Term Purchase Policy and strategic storage of Crude Oil pertaining to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.	Smt. Lakshmi Panabaka	21.2.2014	00	01

STATEMENT 45A
(Statement under rule 199)

Sl. No.	Brief Subject	Name of Minister	Date	Time Taken	
				Hrs.	Mts.
1.	Statement in explanation of resignation from the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs.	Dr. Shashi Tharoor	20.4.2010	00	07
2.	Statement in explanation of resignation from the Council of Ministers.	Prof. Saugata Roy	27.11.2012	00	04
3.	Statement in explanation of resignation from the Council of Ministers.	Shri Sultan Ahmed	29.11.2012	00	06

STATEMENT 46

Statistics of Papers Laid on the Table during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha by the Government and Private Members

Sl.No.	Session	Papers Laid by the Government	Papers Laid by Private Members	Total
1.	First Session	9	NIL	9
2.	Second Session	1429	NIL	1429
3.	Third Session	2113	NIL	2113
4.	Fourth Session	2080	NIL	2080
5.	Fifth Session	1226	NIL	1226
6.	Sixth Session	1679	NIL	1679
7.	Seventh Session	1417	NIL	1417
8.	Eighth Session	1599	NIL	1599
9.	Ninth Session	1712	NIL	1712
10.	Tenth Session	1955	NIL	1955
11.	Eleventh Session	909	NIL	909
12.	Twelfth Session	1657	NIL	1657
13.	Thirteenth Session	2008	NIL	2008
14.	Fourteenth Session	1399	NIL	1399
15.	Fifteenth Session	2760	NIL	2760
	Total	23952	NIL	23952

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PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

The work done by the Parliament, in modern times, is not only varied but also considerable in volume. But very often, the time available at its disposal is limited. It cannot, therefore, give close consideration to all the legislative and other matters that come up before it. A substantial part of parliamentary work is, therefore, done by Parliamentary Committees. Both Houses of Parliament have a similar Committee structure, with marginal variations. Their appointment, terms of office, functions and procedure for conducting business are also more or less similar and are regulated as per rules made under Article 118(1) of the Constitution and Directions issued under rule 389 of the *Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Lok Sabha*.

Broadly, Parliamentary Committees are of two types – Standing Committees and *ad hoc* Committees. The former are elected or appointed every year or periodically and their work goes on more or less on a continuous basis. The latter are appointed on an *ad hoc* basis as need arises and they cease to exist as soon as they have completed the task assigned to them.

Standing Committees

1. Financial Committees: Among the Standing Committees, the three Financial Committees – *Committees on Estimates, Public Accounts and Public Undertakings* – constitute a distinct group as they keep an unremitting vigil over governmental spending and performance. While members of the Rajya Sabha are associated with the Committees on Public Accounts and Public Undertakings, the members of the Committee on Estimates are drawn entirely from the Lok Sabha. The control exercised by these Committees is of a continuous nature. They gather information through questionnaires, memoranda from representatives of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and knowledgeable individuals, on-the-spot studies of organizations and oral examination of official and non-official witnesses. Between them, the Financial Committees examine and report on a fairly large area of the activities of the Union Government.

These Committees have adequate procedures to ensure that their recommendations are given due consideration by the Government. The progress in the implementation of the recommendations as well as any unresolved differences between the Committees and the Government are set out in 'Action Taken Reports' which are presented to the House from time to time.

2. Other Standing Committees: Other Standing Committees, in each House, divided in terms of their functions, are:

(i) Committees to inquire

(a) *The Committee on Petitions* examines petitions on bills and on matters of general public interest and also entertains representations on matters concerning subjects in the Union List; and

(b) *The Committee of Privileges* examines any questions of privilege referred to it by the House or the Speaker, Lok Sabha/Chairperson, Rajya Sabha.

(ii) Committees to scrutinize

(a) *The Committee on Government Assurances* keeps track of all the assurances, promises, undertakings etc. given by Ministers on the Floor of the House and to report on (a) the extent to which assurances, promises, undertakings etc. have been implemented; and (b) where implemented whether such implementation has taken place within the minimum time necessary for the purpose;

(b) *The Committee on Subordinate Legislation* scrutinizes and reports to the House whether the powers to make regulations, rules, sub-rules, bye-laws, etc., conferred by the Constitution or statutes are being properly exercised by the authorities so authorised; and

(c) *The Committee on Papers Laid on the Table* examines all papers laid on the Table of the House by Ministers, other than statutory notifications and orders which come within the purview of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation, to see whether there has been full compliance with the provisions of the Constitution, act, rule or regulation under which the paper has been laid.

(iii) Committees relating to the day-to-day Business of the House

(a) *The Business Advisory Committee* recommends the allocation of time for discussion on Government and other business to be brought before the House;

(b) *The Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions* of the Lok Sabha classifies and allocates time to bills introduced by Private Members, recommends allocation of time for discussion on private members' resolutions and examines Constitution amendment bills before their introduction by private members in the Lok Sabha. However, the Rajya Sabha does not have such a Committee. It is the Business Advisory Committee of that House which recommends the allocation of time for discussion on private members' bills and resolutions;

(c) *The Rules Committee* considers matters of procedure and conduct of business in the House and recommends amendments or additions to the rules; and

(d) *The Committee of Absence of Members from the Sittings of the House* of the Lok Sabha considers all applications from members for leave of absence from the sittings of the House. There is no such Committee in the Rajya Sabha. As such, applications from its members for leave of absence are considered by the House itself.

(iv) Committees concerned with the provision of facilities to members

(a) *The General Purposes Committee* considers and advises the Speaker, Lok Sabha/Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, on matters concerning the affairs of the House which do not appropriately fall within the purview of any other Parliamentary Committee, and

(b) *The House Committee* deals with the residential accommodation and other amenities for members.

(v) Joint Committees

(a) *The Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes* on which members from both Houses serve, considers all matters relating to the welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes which come within the purview of the Union Government and keeps a watch whether the constitutional safeguards in respect of these classes are properly implemented.

(b) *Joint Parliamentary Committee on the Empowerment of Women* consisting of members of both Houses was constituted in April 1997 with a view to securing among other things, status, dignity and equality for women in all fields.

(c) *The Joint Committee on Salaries and Allowances of Members of Parliament,* constituted under the Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament Act, 1954, apart from framing rules for regulating payment of salary, allowances and pension of members of Parliament, also frames rules in respect of amenities like medical, housing, telephone, postal, constituency and secretarial facilities.

(d) *The Joint Committee on Offices of Profit* examines the composition and character of the committees and other bodies appointed by the Union and State Governments and Union Territories' Administrations and recommends what offices ought to or ought not to disqualify a person from being a member of either House of Parliament; and

(e) *The Library Committee* consisting of members from both Houses considers matters concerning the Parliament Library.

3. Departmentally-Related Standing Committees

The work done by the Parliamentary Committees in enhancing Executive accountability is now not only recognized, but also appreciated. However, the existing system was found inadequate to cope with the multifarious demands on it as a result of the complexity of governmental functions. This situation led to a search for better methods, tools and techniques for the discharge of legislative responsibility by bringing about urgent reforms in the existing Committee System.

The first step in this direction was taken at the Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India held in Bhubaneswar on 21 January 1978, when it was proposed to set up *ad hoc* Budget Committees for pre-voting scrutiny of Demands for Grants of all Ministries and Departments. The question of introducing a Subject Committee System was discussed in detail during the Third Regional Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminar held in New Delhi in January 1984 and again at the meeting of the Committee of Presiding Officers held in Thiruvananthapuram in June 1985. At the Presiding Officers Conference held in Lucknow on 27 October 1985, the Report on the setting up of *ad hoc*

Budget Committees on pre-voting scrutiny of Demands for Grants of all Ministries was considered and adopted. Far-reaching proposals were made by the Rules Committee of the Eighth Lok Sabha at its sittings held on 30 March and 9 May 1989. To start with, it recommended the setting up of three Subject Committees, namely the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Science and Technology and the Committee on Environment and Forests. These Committees were constituted by the House w.e.f. 18 August 1989.

Encouraged by the performance of these three Committees, a comprehensive system of Departmentally Related Standing Committee was set up in 1993. The 17 Departmentally Related Standing Committees (6 serviced by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat and 11 by the Lok Sabha Secretariat) were constituted in April 1993, covering all Central Government Ministries/Departments.

The Standing Committees[1] were re-restructured during the Fourteenth Lok Sabha in July 2004 whereby the number of DRSCs was increased from 17 to 24 (8 serviced by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat and 16 by the Lok Sabha Secretariat as mentioned below in Part I and II of Statement 47 A, respectively) covering under their jurisdiction all the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India. Each of these Committees consists of 31 members – 21 from the Lok Sabha and 10 from the Rajya Sabha to be nominated by the Speaker, Lok Sabha, and the Chairperson Rajya Sabha, respectively.

Institutional changes[2] brought about in the form of the Departmentally Related Standing Committees (DRSCs) of Parliament have imparted a new dimension to the functioning of our Parliament.

The functions of each of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee are:

(a) to consider the Demands for Grants of the concerned Ministries/Departments and make a report on the same to the Houses. The report shall not suggest anything of the nature of cut motions.

(b) to examine such Bills pertaining to the concerned Ministries/Departments as are referred to the Committee by the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha; or the Speaker, Lok Sabha, as the case may be and make report thereon;

(c) to consider annual reports of Ministries/ Departments and make reports thereon; and

(d) to consider national basic long term policy documents presented to the Houses, if referred to the Committee by the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha or the Speaker, Lok Sabha, as the case may be, and make reports thereon.

These Standing Committees, however, shall not consider the matters of day-to-day administration of the concerned Ministries/Departments.

Statement 47A[3]

Sl.No.	Name of the Committee	Ministries/Departments
1	2	3
	PART I	
	(Served by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat)	
1.	Committee on Commerce	Commerce and Industry
2.	Committee on Home Affairs	(1) Home Affairs (2) Development of North-Eastern Region
3.	Committee on Human Resource Development	(1) Human Resource Development (2) Youth Affairs and Sports (3) Women and Child Development

[1] Achary, PDT; *Parliament of India* (5th Edition), Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi, 2008, p.222.

[2] Chatterjee, Somnath: Shri Jayantrao Tilak Memorial Lecture on 'Relevance of Parliamentary Democracy in India', organized by the Working Journalists Union, Pune, 10 November 2004.

[3] http://www.loksabha.nic.in.

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4.	Committee on Industry	(1) Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises (2) Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
5.	Committee on Science & Technology, Environment & Forests	(1) Science and Technology (2) Space (3) Earth Sciences (4) Atomic Energy (5) Environment & Forests
6.	Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture	(1) Civil Aviation (2) Road Transport and Highways (3) Shipping (4) Culture (5) Tourism
7.	Committee on Health and Family Welfare	Health and Family Welfare
8.	Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice	(1) Law and Justice (2) Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
	PART II	
	(Served by the Lok Sabha Secretariat)	
9.	Committee on Agriculture	(1) Agriculture (2) Food Processing Industries
10.	Committee on Information Technology	(1) Communications and Information Technology (2) Information & Broadcasting
11.	Committee on Defence	Defence
12.	Committee on Energy	(1) New and Renewable Energy (2) Power
13.	Committee on External Affairs	(1) External Affairs (2) Overseas Indian Affairs
14.	Committee on Finance	(1) Finance (2) Corporate Affairs (3) Planning (4) Statistics and Programme Implementation
15.	Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution	Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
16.	Committee on Labour	(1) Labour and Employment (2) Textiles
17.	Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas	Petroleum and Natural Gas
18.	Committee on Railways	Railways
19.	Committee on Urban Development	(1) Urban Development (2) Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation

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20.	Committee on Water Resources	Water Resources
21.	Committee on Chemicals and Fertilisers	Chemicals and Fertilisers
22.	Committee on Rural Development	(1) Rural Development (2) Drinking Water and Sanitation (3) Panchayati Raj
23.	Committee on Coal and Steel	(1) Coal (2) Mines (3) Steel
24.	Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment	(1) Social Justice and Empowerment (2) Tribal Affairs (3) Minority Affairs

Various new initiatives were taken by the then Speaker of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, Shri Somnath Chatterjee, to strengthen the Parliamentary Committee System. One of the key initiatives in this regard was the Speaker's Direction 73-A[4] issued on 1 September 2004 which provides that the Minister concerned shall make, once in six months, a Statement in the House regarding the status of the implementation of the recommendations contained in the Reports of the DRSCs of the Lok Sabha with regard to his/her Ministry presented to the House. The significance of the new Direction 73-A is that it directs the Government to spell out the status of the implementation of Committee Reports. Prior to the issue of Direction 73-A, the Government was merely informing Parliament whether the Committee recommendation was accepted or not accepted by the Government.

4. *Ad hoc* Committees

Ad hoc Committees may be broadly classified under two heads: (a) Committees which are constituted from time to time, either by the two Houses on a motion adopted in that behalf, or by the Speaker, Lok Sabha/ Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, to inquire into and report on specific subjects; and (b) Joint/Select Committees on Bills and Policy Matters. Following are some such Committees:—

(i) Committee on Food Management in Parliament House Complex

(ii) Committee on Installation of Portraits/Statues of National Leaders and Parliamentarians in Parliament House Complex

(iii) Committee on Security in Parliament Complex

(iv) Committee on Ethics

(v) Joint Parliamentary Committee on Wakf

(vi) Committee on Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme

(vii) Committee on Provision of Computers for MPs

(viii) Railway Convention Committee

(ix) Joint Parliamentary Committee on Maintenance of Heritage Character and Development of Parliament House Complex

(x) Committee on the Welfare of Other Backward Classes

(xi) Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with Members of Lok Sabha.

5. Inquiry Committees

A Joint Committee to examine matters relating to Allocation and Pricing of Telecom Licences and Spectrum was appointed during the term of Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The motion for constitution of Joint Committee of both the Houses of Parliament to examine matters relating to Allocation and Pricing of Telecom Licences and Spectrum was adopted by Lok Sabha on 24 February 2011. The Rajya Sabha concurred with the said motion on 1 March 2011. The Joint Committee with 20 Members of the Lok Sabha and 10 Members from the Rajya Sabha was constituted. Shri P.C. Chacko, Member, Lok Sabha was appointed as Chairman of Joint Committee on 4 March 2011.

[4]Achary, P.D.T.,(ed.): Parliament of India, *op. cit.*, p. 225.

The Committee held 57 sittings in all. The total duration of the sittings of the Committee was 155 hours approximately. The Committee had briefings, oral evidence and interactions with representatives of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (Department of Telecommunications), Ministry of Finance (Departments of Revenue and Economic Affairs), Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, Comptroller and Auditor General of India and Central Bureau of Investigation. The Committee also had interaction with the Attorney General of India, non-official witnesses, Associations and individuals.

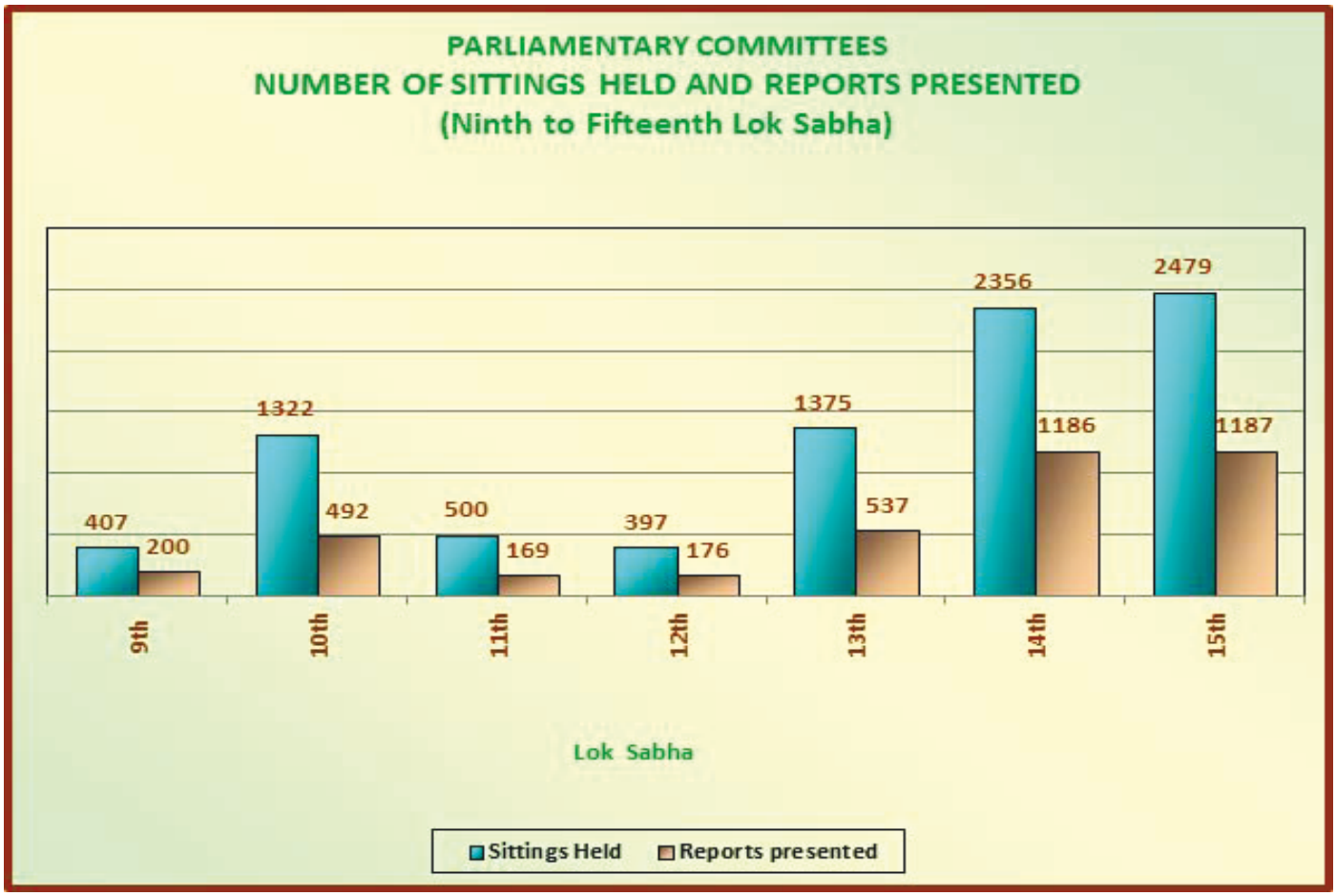
The Report of the Committee was to be presented to the House by the end of Monsoon Session 2011. But the Committee sought five extensions *i.e.* upto Budget Session 2012, Monsoon Session 2012, Budget Session 2013, Monsoon Session 2013 and finally upto the subsequent Session of Parliament. The Committee considered and adopted their Report at their sitting held on 27 September, 2013. The Report was presented to Hon'ble Speaker on 29 October, 2013, presented to Lok Sabha on 9.12.2013 and laid on the Table of Rajya Sabha on 10.12.2013.

Impact of Parliamentary Committees

Parliamentary Committees[5] play a pivotal role in the smooth functioning and success of parliamentary democracy. These Committees have been rightly recognized as a powerful instrument not only in strengthening the entire parliamentary process but also in strengthening the accountability mechanisms. The Committees have been able to influence Government policies, programmes and the method of working of the Government to a very great extent; through the recommendations of these Committees, several legislations have been introduced in the Parliament and several pieces of delegated legislations have been formulated.

Work done by the Committees during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the 3 Financial Committees held as many as 383 sittings and submitted 169 reports. The various DRSCs held as many as 2096 sittings and presented 1018 reports. In total, Parliamentary Committees held 2479 sittings and presented 1187 reports.



[5] Muttemwar, Vilas: "Role of Parliamentary Committees in Strengthening Accountability Mechanisms" in *Fifty Years of Indian Parliament* by G.C. Malhotra, Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi, 2002, p. 402.

Statement 47B gives a brief account of the work done by the various Parliamentary Committees during the term of Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

The following three Committees[6] were appointed during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha:

(a) ***Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes:*** *The Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes was constituted in June, 2012 consequent upon adoption of a Motion moved in the Lok Sabha by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Water Resources. The Committee consists of members from both the Houses and examine the measures taken by the Union Government and Union Territories for the welfare of Other Backward Classes and for securing due representation of OBCs in services and posts under the Union.*

(b) ***Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with members of Lok Sabha****: The Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha vide Bulletin Part-II No. 4274 dated 2 August 2012, has constituted an Ad hoc Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with Members of Lok Sabha, to examine every complaint referred to it by Speaker relating to violation of Protocol Norms laid down from time to time regarding official dealings with Members of Parliament, violation of instruction or guidelines issued by the Government regarding official dealings between Administration and Members of Parliament; and discourteous behaviour by Government Servants with a Member during official dealings; and make such recommendations as it may deem fit.*

(c) ***A two-tier Committee on Maintenance of Heritage Character and Development of Parliament House Complex was constituted on 15 December 2009*** *(i) Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) headed by Hon'ble Speaker and (ii) Standing Technical Committee (STC) consisting of technical experts in the field, headed by Secretary-General, Lok Sabha. The STC has been given the mandate to advise the apex JPC about the maintenance of heritage character of Parliament House building. All major proposals for maintenance, construction, additions/alterations etc. in Parliament House are being first examined in the depth by the STC which submit their recommendations for consideration of the JPC for final approval. In the meetings of JPC, decisions were taken to preserve, conserve and protect the heritage character of Parliament House.*

[6]As received from Committee Branches.

STATEMENT 47B

Activities of Parliamentary Committees during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Committee	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14 upto 21.02.2014	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(I) FINANCIAL COMMITTEES						
Committee on Estimates						
No. of Reports presented	5 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 3)	5 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 3)	7 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 3)	7 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 3)	12 (Original: 7; Action Taken: 5)	36 (Original: 19; Action Taken: 17)
No. of sittings held	21	28	17	22	28	116
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	48.15	57.30	37.45	40.25	39.50	223.45
No. of pages of material studied	6200	6550	5850	7125	7650	33375
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups Constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	Nil	7	6	87	10	30

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Committee on Public Accounts						
No. of Reports Presented	21 (Original: 13; Action Taken: 8)	13 (Original: 7; Action Taken: 6)	25 (Original: 15; Action Taken: 10)	27 (Original: 10; Action Taken: 17)	14 (Original: 9; Action Taken: 5)	100 (Original: 54; Action Taken: 46)
No. of sittings held	19	49	27	35	39	169
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	32.05	93.05	51.50	67.55	50.40	295.35
No. of pages of material studied	20000	45000	35000	50000	50000	20000
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Group Constituted	6	3	4	4	4	21
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	Nil	Nil	Nil	4	4	8
Committee on Public Undertakings						
No. of Reports presented	8 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 3)	3 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 1)	4 (Original: Nil; Action Taken: 4)	10 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 7)	8 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 3)	33 (Original: 15; Action Taken: 18)
No. of sittings Held	17	17	14	26	24	98
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	24.10	22.40	22.45	39.55	31.55	143.25
No. of pages of material studied	9250	11250	11800	12470	12800	57570
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups Constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	Nil	13	Nil	14	Nil	27
(II) DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEES						
Committee on Agriculture						
No. of Reports presented	Report on: (a) DFG-8 (b) Original (subject)-1 (c) Bill-1 (d) ATR-2 Total=12	Report on: (a) DFG-4 (b) Original (subject)-2 (c) Bill-Nil (d) ATR-8 Total=14	Report on: (a) DFG-4 (b) Original (subject)-2 (c) Bill-Nil (d) ATR-6 Total=12	Report on: (a) DFG-4 (b) Original (subject)-Nil (c) Bill-3 (d) ATR-5 Total=12	Report on: (a) DFG-Nil (b) Original (subject)-4 (c) Bill-1 (d) ATR-6 Total=11	61
No. of sittings Held	40	40	44	39	20	183
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	102.49	82.45	83.52	108.10	32.50	409.06
No. of pages of material studied	15871	17763	13561	11533	9889	68617
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted*	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	4	7	4	5	1	21

*For tour purpose.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Committee on Chemicals and Fertilizers						
No. of Reports Presented	12 (Original: 8; Action Taken: 4)	8 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 4)	8 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 4)	11 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 5)	5 (Original: Nil; Action Taken: 5)	44 (Original: 22; Action Taken: 22)
No. of sittings held	23	14	12	15	5	69
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	33.45	18.20	14.15	16.30	5.15	88.05
No. of pages of material studied	3600 approx.	2600 approx.	2800 approx.	3200 approx.	2400 approx.	14600 approx.
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	2 Organisations 6 places	5 Organisations 7 places	8 Organisations 8 places	7 Organisations 7 places	6 Organisations 4 places	28 Organisations 32 places
Committee on Coal and Steel						
No. of Reports Presented	6 (Original: 6; Action Taken: Nil)	13 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 8)	7 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 4)	14 (Original: 11; Action Taken: 3)	13 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 9)	53 (Original: 29; Action Taken: 24)
No. of sittings Held	20	15	24	24	12	95
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	42.15	25.10	49.30	42	18.30	177.25
No. of pages of material studied	5060	2748	3282	2672	1632	15394
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups Constituted	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	4	9	8	7	4	32
Committee on Defence						
No. of Reports Presented	8 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 5)	4 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 3)	4 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 1)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	2 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 1)	22 (Original: 10; Action Taken: 12)
No. of sittings Held	21	13	14	16	11	75
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	32.10	22.30	28.05	27	16.25	126.30
No. of pages of material studied	2647 approx.	2322 approx.	2873 approx.	3476 approx.	735 approx.	12053 approx.
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups Constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	9	16	12	21	Nil	58

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Committee on Energy						
No. of Reports presented	11 (Original: 7; Action Taken: 4)	9 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 4)	10 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 6)	8 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 4)	6 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 4)	44 (Original: 22; Action Taken: 22)
No. of sittings Held	20	15	14	11	6	66
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	34.40	44.05	18.30	26.25	14.00	137.40
No. of pages of material studied	3350 approx.	2578 approx.	3210 approx.	2570 approx.	2460 approx.	14168 approx.
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	3	7	6	9	3	28
Committee on External Affairs						
No. of Reports presented	6 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 2)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	7 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 3)	5 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 3)	3 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 1)	25 (Original: 14; Action Taken: 11)
No. of sittings Held	24@@	16#	34$	30^	10+	114@
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	37.40	23.50	36.05	43.05	12.55	153.35
No. of pages of material studied	4000*	3900*	3200*	3000*	3500*	17600*
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	5	Nil	3	4	Nil	12
Committee on Finance						
No. of Reports presented	25 (Original: 19; Action Taken: 6)	15 (Original: 10; Action Taken: 5)	19 (Original: 14; Action Taken: 5)	15 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 9)	10 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 7)	84 (Original: 56; Action Taken: 28)
No. of sittings Held	24	24	30	22	12	112
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	82.00	76.40	86.05	66.40	28.05	339.30
No. of pages of material studied	24300	12100	33900	13300	5700	89300
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

@@ Out of total 24 sittings held during the year 2009-10, 05 of them were held to meet and interact with Foreign Delegations.

Out of total 16 sittings held during the year 2010-11, 07 of them were held to meet and interact with Foreign Delegations.

$ Out of total 34 sittings held during the year 2011-12, 11 of them were held to meet and interact with Foreign Delegations.

^ Out of total 30 sittings held during the year 2012-13, 14 of them were held to meet and interact with Foreign Delegations.

+ Out of total 10 sittings held during the year 2013 upto 31.3.2014, 02 of them were held to meet and interact with Foreign Delegations.

@ Out of total 114 sittings held during 15th Lok Sabha, 39 of them were held to meet and interact with Foreign Delegations.

* During Individual Calendar Year (approximate number).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	7 Organisations 1 Place	32 Organisations 1 Place	23 Organisations 7 Places	23 Organisations 6 Places	Nil	85 Organisations 21 Places
Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution						
No. of Reports presented	10 (Original: 7; Action Taken: 3)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	9 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 5)	8 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 3)	2 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 1)	33 (Original: 19; Action Taken: 14)
No. of sittings held	24	12	22	32	8	98
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	34.10	20.05	26.55	54.25	8.30	144.05
No. of pages of material studied	8855	7280	142095	56125	5050	219405
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	26	31	34	33	13	137
Committee on Information Technology						
No. of Reports presented	14 (Original: 8; Action Taken: 6)	11* (Original: 7; Action Taken: 7)	12** (Original: 9; Action Taken: 3)	10*** (Original: 6; Action Taken: 4)	7**** (Original: 3; Action Taken: 4)	54 (Original: 33; Action Taken: 21)
No. of sittings held	22	14	23	17	8	84
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	44	25.15	41.40	28.35	7.40	147.10
No. of pages of material studied	8995	1270	7457	8747	981#	27450
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	1@	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	8	17	13	4	9	51
Committee on Labour						
No. of Reports presented	14 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 8)	6 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 1)	14 (Original: 7; Action Taken: 7)	4 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 0)	8 (Original: 3^; Action Taken: 5##)	46 (Original: 25; Action Taken: 21)

* Including Fifteenth, Eighteenth and Twenty-fifth Reports on 'Modernisation of Post Offices' relating to the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (Department of Posts), The Prasar Bharti (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Amendment Bill, 2010 and 'Disbursement of wages to labourers under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act by Post Offices' respectively.

** Including Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh Reports on 'The Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Second Amendment Bill, 2011' and 'The Electronic Delivery of Services, 2011' respectively.

*** Including Forty-second and Forty-seventh Reports on 'The Press and Registration of Books and Publications Bill, 2011' and on the subject 'Issues Related to Paid News' respectively.

**** Including Fifty-second and Fifty-third Reports on the subject 'Cyber Crime, Cyber Security and Right to Privacy' and 'Norms for setting up of telecom towers, its harmful effects and setting up security standards in expansion of telecom facilities' respectively. It also includes Fifty-fourth Report on the subject 'Business Development and Marketing Strategy in Department of Posts' which was adopted on 11 March 2014 and is about to be presented to the Hon'ble Speaker.

Sub-committee on the subject 'Promotion of Electronics/IT Hardware Manufacturing Sector' was constituted on 3 August, 2011.

@ Till 31 March, 2014.

^ One Report on Bill referred to the Committee was presented to Hon'ble Speaker 15 March 2014.

Two Action Taken Reports were presented to Hon'ble Speaker on 15 March 2014.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. of sittings held	21	23	20	15	8	87
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	31.20	35	29	24.50	11.15	131.25
No. of pages of material studied	1000	1100	1000	1000	600	4700
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	13	28	27	53	23	144*
Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Gas						
No. of Reports presented	5 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 2)	3 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 2)	6 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 2)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	5 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 3)	23 (Original: 12; Action Taken: 11)
No. of sittings held	12	15	14	16	10	67
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	17.10	10.45	27.00	29.25	12.45	97.05
No. of pages of material studied	1950	1650	2450	1750	1600	9400
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	4	8	9	8	3	32
Committee on Railways						
No. of Reports presented	9 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 5)	3 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 1)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	5 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 2)	25 (Original: 13; Action Taken: 12)
No. of sittings held	22	15	15	12	10	74
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	31.10	20.35	23.30	15.45	11.05	102.05
No. of pages of material studied	4000 (approx.)	2500 (approx.)	3000 (approx.)	3000 (approx.)	3500 (approx.)	16000 (approx.)
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	5	11	11	8	5	40
Standing Committee on Rural Development						
No. of Reports presented	14 (Original: 9**; Action Taken: 5)	8 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 4)	11 (Original: 7***; Action Taken: 4)	13 (Original: 7; Action Taken: 6)	5 (Original: Nil; Action Taken: 5)	51 (Original: 27; Action Taken: 24)

* Committee also interacted with trade unions and workers/employee, etc.

** Including one Report on the 'The Constitution (One Hundred and Tenth Amendment) Bill, 2009.

*** Including two Reports on 'The Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2011.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. of sittings held	23	15	31	18	8	95
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	49.45	34.25	62.20	30.55	9.25	186.50
No. of pages of material studied	55000	28000	38000	40000	12000	173000
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	1	2	1	1	—	5
Committee on Urban Development						
No. of Reports presented	11	4	5	6	5#	30+1#
No. of sittings held	14	9	10	17	8	58
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	20.55	16.30	13.45	25.10	11.10	87.30
No. of pages of material studied	3000 (Approx.)	2500 (Approx.)	3500 (Approx.)	4500 (Approx.)	5000 (Approx.)	18500 (Approx.)
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	Nil	Nil	10	14	Nil	24
Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment						
No. of Reports presented	9 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 3)	8 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 3)	11 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 5)	10 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 4)	8 (Original: 4*; Action Taken: 4)	46 (Original: 27; Action Taken: 19)
No. of sittings held	15	10	16	21	9	71
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	28.50	15.55	19.05	27.05	9.25	100.20
No. of pages of material studied	7000	6000	8000	9000	5000	35000
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	—
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	3	3	2	6	3	17
Standing Committee on Water Resources						
No. of Reports presented	5 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 2)	5 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 2)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	3 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 2)	21 (Original: 11; Action Taken: 10)
No. of sittings held	16	14	13	10	6	59
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	20.05	15.30	17.05	15.00	6.00	73.40
No. of pages of material studied	4000 (approx.)	4500 (approx.)	3500 (approx.)	3200 (approx.)	3000 (approx.)	18200 (approx.)

#31st Report of the Committee has been considered and adopted by the Committee in their sitting held on 12.3.2014.

* 46th Report of the Committee on the subject "Implementation of Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme" was presented by the Chairman, Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment to Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha on 15.3.2014.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	2	4	9	9	Nil	24
(III) COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES (SCTC)						
No. of Reports presented	7 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 3)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	9 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 7)	7 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 1)	8 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 3)	35 (Original: 19; Action Taken: 16)
No. of sittings held	16	16	15	19	14	80
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	22.58	19.75	17.25	30.5	21.5	111.58
No. of pages of material studied	2160	3098	3541	4283	4775	17587
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places @visited by the Committee	Nil*	19	15	22	24	80
(IV) OTHER STANDING COMMITTEES						
Committee on Petitions						
No. of Reportspresented	7 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 6)	8 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 2)	6 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 4)	8 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 3)	5 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 1)	34 (Original: 18; Action Taken: 16)
No. of sittings held	21	15	14	13	5	68
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	19.55	11.10	19.45	16.40	7.45	75.15
No. of pages of material studied	2400	5000	2800	5300	5000	20500
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	17	14	11	21	Nil	63
Committee on Privileges						
No. of Reports presented	Nil	1	1	1	1	4
No. of sittings held	2	11	7	10	7	37
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	2	14.15	8.20	16.26	13.52	54.53
Committee on Ethics						
No. of Reports presented	Nil	1	Nil	1	Nil	2
No. of sittings held	3	6	6	Nil	Nil	15

@In addition to 35 Reports mentioned above, the Committee also presented 7 Study Visit reports during Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

*Committee did not undertake any study tour due to austerity drive.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	2.12	3.35	3.25	Nil	Nil	9.12
Rules Committee						
No. of Reports presented	2	—	—	—	—	2
No. of sittings held	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of pages of material studied	4,000	4100	3750	3500	8000	23350
General Purposes Committee						
No. of Reports* presented	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of sittings held	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of pages of material studied	2000	1900	2250	2500	2520	11710
Committee on Subordinate Legislation						
No. of Reports presented	12 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 8)	8 (Original: 4; Action Taken: 4)	7 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 1)	9 (Original: 5; Action Taken: 4)	4 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 1)	40 (Original: 22; Action Taken: 18)
No. of sittings held	11	11	10	12	4	48
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	10.45	10.55	9.50	7.20	2.45	41.35
No. of pages of material studied	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	5	12	14	15	0	46
Committee on Government Assurances						
No. of Reports presented	11 (Original: 11; Action Taken: Nil)	7 (Original: 7; Action Taken: Nil)	7 (Original: 7; Action Taken: Nil)	10 (Original: 10; Action Taken: Nil)	5 (Original: 5; Action Taken: Nil)	40 (Original: 40; Action Taken: Nil)
No. of sittings held	25	19	13	16	7	80
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	37.55	25.50	15.55	17.15	9.45	106.40
No. of pages of material studied	20000	18000	15000	17000	7000	77000
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	Nil	Nil	Organisation-5 Places-01	Nil	Nil	Nil
Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions						
No. of Reports presented	9 (Original:9)	12 (Original:12)	8 (Original:8)	8 (Original: 8)	1 (Original: 1)	38 (Original: 38)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No. of sittings held	9	12	8	8	1	38
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	5.45	5.45	4.20	4.15	0.15	20.20
Committee on Papers Laid on the Table						
No. of Reports Presented	3 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 2)	4 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 2)	3 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 1)	3 (Original: 3; Action Taken: Nil)	1 (Original: Nil; Action Taken: 1)	14 (Original: 8; Action Taken: 6)
No. of sittings held	12	14	8	12	5	51
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	10.10	13.20	5.10	9.50	3.25	42.25
No. of pages of material studied	3896	3460	4280	4204	3036	18876
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	No. of tours: 1 No. of Places: 4 No. of Org.: 12	No. of tours: 2 No. of Places: 6 No. of Org.: 15	No. of tours: 1 No. of Places: 2 No. of Org.: 5	No. of tours: 1 No. of Places: 3 No. of Org.: 7	Nil	No. of tours: 5 No. of Places: 15 No. of Org.: 39
Committee on the Absence of Members from the Sittings of the House						
No. of Reports presented	—	3	2	3	3	11
No. of sittings held	—	3	2	3	3	11
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	—	1.15	0.45	1.30	1.40	5.10
Business Advisory Committee						
No. of Reports presented	16	10	13	9	7	55
No. of sittings held	16	10	13	9	7	55
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	7.05	4.00	5.20	3.20	2.10	21.55
Railway Convention Committee						
No. of Reports presented	0 (Original: 0; Action Taken: 0)	1 (Original: 1; Action Taken: Nil)	1 (Original: 1; Action Taken: Nil)	3 (Original: 3; Action Taken: Nil)	3 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 2)	8 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 2)
No. of sittings held	0*	7	9	10	9	35
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	Nil	7.30	12.25	11.00	10.25	41.20
No. of pages of material studied	100	300	310	450	400	1560
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/places visited by the Committee	Nil	10	7	8	4	29

*RCC(2009) was constituted on 15 March, 2010 and first sitting of the Committee was held on 29 April, 2010.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Joint Committee on Offices of Profit						
No. of Reports presented	1 (Original)	3 (Original)	2 (Original)	5 (Original)	Nil	11 (Original)
No. of sittings held	8	8	6	7	Nil	29
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	7.30	5.15	4.40	5.10	Nil	22.35
No. of pages of material studied	240	723	615	1050	310	2938
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Committee on Empowerment of Women						
No. of Reports presented	5 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 2)	6 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 3)	6 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 4)	4 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 1)	1 (Original: Nil; Action Taken: 1)	22 (Original: 11; Action Taken: 11)
No. of sittings held	21	13	12	17	6	69
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	31.45	19.15	18.50	30.40	8.25	108.55
No. of pages of material studied	2552	2600	2133	2400	450	10135
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	Nil	27	Nil	29	Nil	56
Committee on Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme						
No. of Reports presented	3 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 1)	3 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 2)	3 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 1)	3 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 2)	1* (Original: Nil; Action Taken: 1)	13 (Original: 6; Action Taken: 7)
No. of sittings held	10	11	7	8	3*	39*
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	12.50	13.55	8.40	7.40	2.05	45.10
No. of pages of material studied	230	250	280	320	100*	1180*
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee	7 and 23	5 and 37	6 and 28	10 and 57	4 and 29	32 and 174
Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes						
No. of Reports presented				2 (Original: 1; Action Taken: 1)	3 (Original: 2; Action Taken: 1)	5 (Original: 3; Action Taken: 2)

*Position upto 18.3.2014.

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No. of sittings held				15	15	30
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)				25.00	23.10	48.10
No. of pages of material studied				4750	9630	14380
No. of Sub-Committees/Study Groups constituted				Nil	Nil	Nil
No. of Establishments/Organisations/ places visited by the Committee				6	6	12
Committee on Violation of Protocol Norms and Contemptuous Behaviour of Government Officers with Members of Lok Sabha						
No. of Reports presented	—	—	Nil	Nil	2	2
No. of sittings held	—	—	—	3	11	14
Duration of sittings (in hrs.)	—	—	—	3	14	17

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PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, SYMPOSIA ETC.

This Chapter provides a brief resume of some of the important Parliamentary Conferences, Seminars, Symposia and Meetings held in India and abroad, including those held under the auspices of the Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) during the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha along with a brief outline of their nature and purpose.

I. CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India

The practice of holding a Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India was a necessary adjunct to the birth of the Central Legislative Assembly under the Montague-Chelmsford Reforms of 1919. The first such Conference was held at Delhi on 14 September 1921 under the Chairpersonship of the President of the Central Legislative Assembly, Sir Frederick Whyte. The Third Presiding Officers' Conference held at Delhi in December 1923, adopted a resolution defining the object of such Conferences as to secure the appropriate coordination of parliamentary procedure throughout India.

The Conferences of Presiding Officers have generally been convened annually since 1946. However, since 1950 these are being held in different State capitals by rotation. Earlier, these were used to be held either in Delhi or at Shimla. The Speaker of Lok Sabha is usually Chairperson of the Presiding Officers' Conference. The agenda for the Conference is decided by a Standing Committee of Presiding Officers appointed by the Chairperson of the Conference on the basis of topics suggested for discussion by the Presiding Officers of State Legislatures. Besides, the issues relating to parliamentary procedure, other matters of common interest to Legislatures are also discussed at such Conferences.

The Conference of Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India generally precedes the Presiding Officers' Conference. However, unlike the Presiding Officers' Conference which began its annual sessions in 1946, the first Conference of Secretaries was held in 1953. The Secretaries-General of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha generally decide upon the agenda for the Secretaries' Conferences on the basis of topics suggested by the Secretaries of the State Legislatures.

As many as 76 Presiding Officers' Conferences have been held so far. Three Presiding Officers' Conferences *viz.* the 74th, the 75th and 76th were held during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. A brief description of each of the three Presiding Officers' Conferences held during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha is given below:

The 74th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India: The 74th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India was held at Bhopal on 3-4 February 2010. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and Chairperson of the Conference presided over the Conference. The Speaker of Madhya Pradesh Vidhan Sabha, Shri Ishwardas Rohani was elected as the Co-Chairperson of the Conference. The Conference hosted by Madhya Pradesh Vidhan Sabha, was attended by almost all the Presiding Officers of the Legislative Bodies in India.

The Conference discussed the following items on the Agenda:

(i) Self-Assessment by Legislatures for Enhancing its Relevance;

(ii) Creation of Smaller States – A National Perspective; and

(iii) The Role of Speaker in the Administration of Legislature.

The Conference of Presiding Officers was followed by a Symposium on "Urgency in addressing the needs of Environment and Conservation of Wild Life" on 5 February 2010, which was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, who also made a presentation on the subject.

The Conference of the Presiding Officers was preceded by the 52nd Conference of Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India on 2 February 2010.

The 75th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India: The 75th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India was held at Srinagar on 20-21 June 2010. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and Chairperson of the Conference presided over the Conference. The Speaker of Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly Shri Mohammad Akbar Lone was elected as the Co-Chairperson of the Conference. The Conference hosted by Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly, was attended by almost all the Presiding Officers of the Legislative Bodies in India. The Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Kariya Munda also attended the Conference.

The Conference discussed the following items on the Agenda:

(i) Significance of the Committee System in Parliament and the need to strengthen it; and

(ii) Growing tendency to disrupt the Question Hour and the need to check it.

The Conference of Presiding Officers was followed by a Symposium on "Performance of the Legislators in the House – Ensuring Accountability to the People" on 22 June 2010, which was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir Shri Omar Abdullah, who also made a presentation on the subject.

The Conference of the Presiding Officers was preceded by the 53rd Conference of Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India on 19 June 2010.

The 76th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India: The 76th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India was held at Jaipur on 21-22 September 2011. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and Chairperson of the Conference presided over the Conference. The Speaker of Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha, Shri Deependra Singh Shekhawat was elected as the Co-Chairperson of the Conference. The Conference hosted by Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha, was attended by almost all the Presiding Officers of the Legislative Bodies in India.

The Conference discussed the following items on the Agenda:

(i) Determination of maximum period for Assent to Bills passed by the Legislature;

(ii) The Role of the Legislature in Scrutinizing and Making Laws for Good Governance; and

(iii) Era of Coalition Government – Its Compulsions and Challenges.

Besides the above Agenda items, the Report of the Committee of Presiding Officers on Ensuring Accountability of the Executive to Legislature was also presented by Shri Deependra Singh Shekhawat, Speaker of Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha and member of the Committee on Ensuring Accountability of the Executive to Legislature, in the absence of the Chairperson of the Committee Shri Kariya Munda, Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha. The report was considered and unanimously adopted at the Conference.

The Conference of Presiding Officers was followed by a Symposium on "Strengthening the Constitutional Scheme of Checks and Balances" on 23 September 2011, which was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri Ashok Gehlot, who also made a presentation on the subject.

The Conference of the Presiding Officers was preceded by the 54th Conference of Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India on 20 September 2011.

II. CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, ETC. AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)

Established in the year 1889, the Inter-Parliamentary Union is an Association of Parliamentary Groups constituted within the various National Parliaments for the purpose of promoting personal contacts between members of different Parliaments (constituting various National Groups) and to unite them in common action to secure and maintain full participation of their respective countries in the establishment and development of democratic institutions. Through parliamentary dialogue, the IPU has been working for peace and cooperation among peoples for firm establishment of representative institutions. The membership of the IPU stands at 164 National Parliaments. There are 5 main organs of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, *viz.* the Assembly; the Governing Council; the Executive Committee; the Standing Committees and the Meeting of Women Parliamentarians.

The activities of the IPU are determined and guided by the Governing Council which is the plenary policy making body. Each National Group is represented on the Council. The Executive Committee is the chief administrative organ of the Union and prepares recommendations for action by the Governing Council. It is chaired by the Council President and is composed of 15 members.

The IPU sessions are generally held twice a year. These are large Conferences that bring together hundreds of MPs to discuss the most salient issues on the international agenda. The Members express the

parliamentary view on the questions of the day in the form of resolutions. The first session (Assembly) is usually held in the capital of one of the member countries. The second session (Assembly) is held at the IPU Headquarters in Geneva. The National Group hosting the Conference usually bears the responsibility of organizing the Conference.

The delegations to the IPU Conferences comprise Members of various political parties or groups in the National Parliaments. Thus both the Government and the Opposition members from member countries get representation at the Conference. India joined the Inter-Parliamentary Union in the year 1949 and since then it has been an active member of the Union and has participated in all its meetings and events.

Conferences of IPU

The 121st Assembly of IPU: The 121st Assembly of the IPU was held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 19 to 21 October 2009. A five-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Meeting. The members of Indian Parliamentary Delegation participated in the panel discussions held during the Assembly on the following subject items:

(i) Cooperation and shared responsibility in the global fight against Organized Crime, in particular drug trafficking, illegal arm sales, human trafficking and cross-border terrorism. (First Standing Committee);

(ii) The role of parliaments in developing South-South and Triangular Cooperation with a view to accelerating achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (Second Standing Committee);

(iii) Youth participation in the democratic process (Third Standing Committee);

(iv) Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/ Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)-Universal access to prevention, treatment and care;

(v) Our World at War: Challenges for International Humanitarian Law and event organized by the IPU International Humanitarian Law (IHL) Committee and the International Committee on Red Cross (ICRC); and

(vi) Human rights and the Universal Periodic Review.

The Assembly following a vote adopted the subject item entitled 'Need for International cooperation to address the challenge of global food crisis and to ensure food security' as the emergency item and further, subsequent to a debate, adopted a resolution on the same.

The 122nd Assembly of IPU: The 122nd Assembly of the IPU was held in Bangkok (Thailand) from 27 March to 1 April 2010.

An eight-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Assembly. The Speaker, Lok Sabha participated in the General debate on the Political, Economic and Social Situation in the world with the overall theme of "*Parliament at the heart of political reconciliation and good governance".*

During the Assembly the following items were discussed and adopted resolution thereon:

(i) Cooperation and shared responsibility in the global fight against organized crime, in particular drug trafficking, illegal arms sales, human trafficking and cross-border terrorism (First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security)

(ii) The role of parliaments in developing South-South and triangular cooperation with a view to accelerating achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade)

(iii) Youth participation in the democratic process (Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights)

The Assembly also adopted a resolution on "The role of Parliaments in strengthening the solidarity of the international community towards the People of Haiti and Chile in the wake of devastating major disasters, and urgent actions required in all disaster-prone countries to improve disaster-risk assessment, prevention and mitigation" as the emergency item.

The 123rd Assembly of IPU: The 123rd Assembly of the IPU was held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 4 to 6 October 2010. A seven-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Assembly.

During the Assembly the following items were discussed and adopted resolution thereon:

(i) Providing a sound Legislative Framework aimed at preventing electoral violence, improving election monitoring and ensuring the smooth transition of power (First Standing Committee)

(ii) The role of parliaments in ensuring sustainable development through the management of natural resources, agricultural production and demographic change (Second Standing Committee)

(iii) Transparency and accountability in the funding of political parties and election campaigns (Third Standing Committee)

The Assembly also adopted a resolution on "The importance of International Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation for Natural Disaster response, in particular with regard to relief aid to flood-stricken Pakistan" as the Emergency Item.

The 124th Assembly of IPU: The 124th Assembly of the IPU was held in Panama City (Panama) from 15 to 20 April 2011. A nine-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Assembly. The Speaker, Lok Sabha, addressed the Assembly during the General Debate held on the "Political, Economic and Social Situation in the World" with the overall theme of "*Parliamentary Accountability: Living up to people's expectations"*.

During the Assembly following items were discussed and adopted resolution thereon:

(i) Providing a sound legislative framework aimed at preventing electoral violence, improving election monitoring and ensuring the smooth transition of power (First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security).

(ii) The role of parliaments in ensuring sustainable development through the management of natural resources, agricultural production and demographic change. (Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade)

(iii) The Transparency and accountability in the funding of political parties and election campaigns (Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights).

The Assembly adopted a resolution on "Strengthening democratic reform in emerging democracies, including in North Africa and the Middle East" as the Emergency Item. Panel discussions were held on (i) Narrowing the Gaps: Achieving the Millennium Development Goals with Equity for Children and (ii) Recent political upheavals in the world: lessons for democracy.

The 125th Assembly of IPU: The 125th Assembly of IPU was held in Bern (Switzerland) from 16 to 19 October 2011. A six-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha attended the Assembly. The members of Indian Parliamentary Delegation participated in the panel discussions held during the Assembly on the following subject items:

(i) Promoting and practicing good governance as a means of advancing peace and security: Drawing lessons from recent events in the Middle East and North Africa (The First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security).

(ii) Redistribution of power, not just wealth: Ownership of the international agenda (The Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade).

(iii) Access to health as a basic right: The role of Parliaments in addressing key challenges to securing the health of women and children (The Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights).

The Assembly adopted a resolution on "the plight of the people of famine-stricken Somalia and relief efforts by IPU members" as the emergency item.

The 126th Assembly of IPU: The 126th IPU Assembly was held in Kampala (Uganda) from 31 March to 5 April 2012. A seven-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Assembly. The Speaker, Lok Sabha, participated in the General Debate on the political, economic and social situation in the world with the overall theme of '*Parliaments and people: Bridging the gap'*. During the Assembly, the following items were discussed and adopted resolutions thereon:

(i) Promoting and practicing good governance as a means of advancing peace and security: Drawing lessons from recent events in the Middle East and North Africa (First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security)

(ii) Redistribution of power, not just wealth: Ownership of the international agendas (Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade).

(iii) Access to health as a basic right: The role of Parliaments in addressing key challenges to securing the health of women and children (Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights)

Panel Discussions on the following themes were also held during the Assembly:—

(i) Bringing an end to malnutrition: the Role of Parliamentarians in addressing Nutrition Security;

(ii) The Disaster Risk Reduction and Sustainable Development; and

(iii) Making the law work for the response to AIDS: Zero new infections, zero discrimination and zero AIDS-related deaths.

The Assembly considered the subject item entitled 'Inter-Parliamentary Union Initiative for an immediate halt to the bloodshed and human rights violations in Syria, and the need to ensure access to humanitarian aid for all persons in need and to support implementation of all relevant Arab League and United Nations Resolutions and Peace Efforts' as the Emergency Item and adopted a resolution on the subject.

The 127th Assembly of IPU: The 127th Assembly of IPU was held in Quebec City (Canada) from 21 to 26 October 2012. A seven-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Assembly. A Special debate with an overall theme "Citizenship, Identity and Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in Globalised World" was held during the Assembly. The Speaker, Lok Sabha, delivered a key note address on one of the Special Debate themes namely "Best practices and innovative ideas for managing citizenship in a globalized and rapidly changing environment".

The Assembly considered the subject item entitled "The institutional and security situation in Mali" as the Emergency Item and adopted a resolution on the said subject.

The IPU Committee on UN Affairs met and finalized Handbook on "Supporting Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament" which was released during the Assembly. The Indian Delegation participated in the following Panel Discussions held during the Assembly:—

(i) Building peace after conflict;

(ii) Peak oil: what prospects for energy security?;

(iii) Parliamentary immunity: benefit or burden?;

(iv) Parliamentary and Political Law; and

(v) Creating opportunities for youth in today's global economy.

The 128th Assembly of IPU: The 128th Assembly of IPU was held in Quito (Ecuador) from 22 to 27 March 2013. A six -member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Kariya Munda, Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Assembly from 25 to 27 March 2013. The Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, participated in the General Debate held on the overall theme "*From unrelenting growth to purposeful development "Buen Vivir": New approaches, new solutions"*.

During the Assembly, following items were discussed and adopted resolutions thereon:—

(i) Enforcing the responsibility to protect: The role of Parliament in safeguarding civilians' lives. (First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security).

(ii) Fair trade and innovative financing mechanisms for sustainable development (Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade).

(iii) The use of media, including social media, to enhance citizen engagement and democracy (Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights).

Panel Discussions were held on the following themes:—

(i) The legalization of drugs: Can it help curb organized crime?; and

(ii) Addressing the rights of children with disabilities.

The Assembly also adopted a resolution on "The role of Parliaments in addressing the security and humanitarian impact of the crisis in Syria and in bringing pressure to bear on their governments to assume their international and humanitarian responsibility towards Syrian refugees and to support the neighbouring countries that receive them".

The 129th Assembly of IPU: The 129th Assembly of the IPU was held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 7 to 9 October 2013. A six-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended the Assembly. The members of Indian Parliamentary Delegation and the Speaker, Lok Sabha, participated in the panel discussions held during the Assembly on the following subject items:—

(i) Towards a nuclear – weapon – free world: The contribution of parliaments (First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security);

(ii) Towards risk – resilient development: Taking into consideration demographic trends and natural constraints (Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade); and

(iii) 'The role of parliaments in protecting the rights of children, in particular unaccompanied migrant children, and in preventing their exploitation in situations of war and conflict (Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights).

The Assembly considered the subject item entitled "The Role of Parliaments in supervising the destruction of Chemical Weapons and the ban on their use" as the Emergency Item and adopted a resolution on the said subject.

The IPU Committee on UN Affairs discussed on the following agenda items:—

(i) Interaction between National Parliaments and UN country teams;

(ii) Follow-up of the Fourth UN Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC-IV);

(iii) Implications of and action on the recently adopted Arms Trade Treaty;

(iv) Implementing UN Security Council Resolution 1540 (Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction); and

(v) Promoting International commitments and defending the rights of vulnerable groups: Segment 1 (Indigenous peoples) and Segment 2 (Persons with disabilities).

The 130th Assembly of the IPU: The 130th Assembly of the IPU was held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 16 to 20 March 2014. A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Deputy Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, Prof. P.J. Kurien, attended the Assembly. The Deputy Chairperson, Rajya Sabha participated in the General debate on "The IPU at 125: Renewing our commitment to peace and democracy".

The Assembly considered the subject item entitled "Helping to restore peace and security and consolidate democracy in the Central African Republic: The contribution of the IPU" as the Emergency Item and a resolution was adopted on the same. The following three Standing Committees met during the Assembly to draft and adopt resolution(s) which were subsequently adopted in the Assembly:

(i) Towards a nuclear – weapon – free world: The contribution of parliaments (First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security);

(ii) Towards risk – resilient development: Taking into consideration demographic trends and natural constraints (Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade); and

(iii) The role of parliaments in protecting the rights of children, in particular unaccompanied migrant children, and in preventing their exploitation in situations of war and conflict (Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights).

The Fourth Committee of IPU on UN Affairs also met during the Assembly. Two Panel Discussions on (i) Promoting the child's best interest: The case of migrant children; and (ii) Reasons for the high turnover of parliamentarians at elections' were held during the Assembly.

Other International Conferences held under aegis of IPU

The Eighth Session of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) Round Table for Parliamentarians was held in Buenos Aires (Argentina) on 24 and 25 September 2009. Dr. (Shri) Kavuri Samba Siva Rao, MP, participated in the above Session.

The Fourth Conference for Members of Parliamentary Committees on the Status of Women and other Committees dealing with Gender Equality was held in Geneva on 28 and 29 September 2009. A two-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation represented Parliament of India at the Conference.

The Meetings of World Trade Organisation (WTO) Public Forum 2009, Parliamentary Panel on WTO Public Forum 2009 and 19th Session of the Steering Committee were held in Geneva from 28 September to 1 October 2009. Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, participated in the three meetings of WTO.

The Second Preparatory Meeting of the Third Conference of Speakers of Parliament was held in New York from 16 and 17 November 2009. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, participated in the meeting.

The 21st session of the Steering Committee of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO was held in Geneva (Switzerland) on 24 and 25 June 2010. Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, participated in the Session.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament was held in Bern on 16 and 17 July 2010**.** Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, participated in the Meeting. The participating Presiding Officers adopted the Bern initiative for Global Parliamentary Action on Maternal and Child Health.

The Fourth and Fifth (Final) Meetings of the Preparatory Committee was held in Geneva on 18 and 20 July 2010**.** Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, participated in above Meetings.

The 3rd World Conference of Speakers of Parliament was held in Geneva from 19 to 21 July 2010. A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha participated in the event. During the Conference following agenda items were discussed:—

(i) General Debate on Parliaments in a world of crisis: securing global democratic accountability for the common good;

(ii) Panel Discussions on Countdown to 2015: Keeping our collective promise on the Millennium Development Goals; and

(iii) Panel Discussions on Strengthening trust between parliament and the people also took place at the Conference.

A Conference on Parliaments, Minorities and Indigenous Peoples: Overcoming the challenges to effective participation in decision-making was held in Chiapas (Mexico) from 31 October to 3 November 2010**.** Shri Siricilla Rajaiah, MP, attended the Conference.

The Fourth Parliamentary Forum on Shaping the Information Society on the Triple Challenge of Cyber-Security: Information, Citizens and Infrastructure was held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 18 to 20 May 2011. A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation attended the Forum. The Forum highlighted that effective and harmonized legal frameworks were necessary to address the challenges of cyber security.

A Meeting of Co-Rapporteurs of the Third Standing Committee of IPU was held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 18 to 20 May 2011 to identify the key issues to be addressed in the draft report and resolution on the subject Access to health as a basic right: The role of Parliaments in addressing key challenges to securing the health of women and children' approved by 124th Assembly of IPU. Shri Francisco Sardinha, MP, who was appointed as a Co-rapporteur of the Third Standing Committee of IPU during the 124th Assembly of IPU participated in the Meeting.

A Regional seminar for Asian Parliaments on Preventing and Responding to Violence against Women and Girls: From Legislation to effective enforcement was hosted by the Parliament of India and was jointly organised by Parliament of India and Inter-Parliamentary Union from 15 to 17 September 2011 in New Delhi. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, inaugurated the Seminar, Dr. Theo-Ben Gurirab, President, Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU),and Speaker of National Assembly of Namibia delivered the Welcome Address. Delegations from Afghanistan, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Maldives, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand participated in the Seminar. An eleven-member Indian Delegation led by Dr. (Kumari) Girija Vyas, MP, participated in the Seminar. The theme of the Seminar "Preventing and Responding to Violence against Women and Girls: From Legislation to effective enforcement" was discussed in seven sessions and Women Parliamentarians and Experts presented papers during the event.

25th Session of the Steering Committee of Parliamentary Conference on the WTO was held in Brussels (Belgium) on 7 and 8 May 2012. Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, participated in the Session. In conjunction with the above Session, Shri P.C. Chacko also attended a workshop entitled "The future of the WTO and the World Trading System which was organised by European Parliament.

The Meetings of WTO Public Forum 2012; and 26th Session of the Steering Committee of Parliamentary Conference on the WTO were held in Geneva from 24 to 26 September 2012. Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, participated in these events. The theme of the WTO Public Forum 2012 was entitled "Is Multilateralism in Crisis?" Shri P.C. Chacko also presented a discussion paper on the theme entitled "Trade as a tool of economic growth, job creation and poverty alleviation".

The 7th Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament on Gender Sensitive Parliaments was hosted by the Parliament of India and was jointly organized by Parliament of India and Inter-Parliamentary Union on 3 and 4 October 2012 in New Delhi.

Shri Pranab Mukherjee, President of India, inaugurated the Meeting, Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, delivered the Welcome Address in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 3 October 2012. Mr. Abdelwahad Radi, President of Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU) and Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Vice President of India also addressed the distinguished gathering. Speaker, Lok Sabha presided the inaugural session of the Meeting. The Meeting commenced with the key note

addresses by Ms. Michelle Bachelet, UN Under-Secretary General, Executive Director UN Women and Mr. Anders B. Johnsson, Secretary General of IPU and presentation of the IPU Gender-sensitive Parliament survey.

Women Presiding Officers of Parliament from Austria, Botswana, Bulgaria, Gabon, Iceland, India, Latvia, Rwanda, Swaziland, Turkmenistan, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe participated in the Meeting. Ms. Michelle Bachelet, Executive Director, UN Women participated in the Meeting as the Special Invitee. Parliamentary Delegations from Russian Federation and Mozambique participated in the Meeting as Observers. The overall theme of the Meeting was 'Gender Sensitive Parliaments and the theme was discussed during the six sessions of the meeting also. Women Presiding Officers and Experts associated with Parliamentary practices presented their papers on the said theme of the Meeting. In the concluding session the Presiding Officers of Parliament adopted the "New Delhi Initiative for Gender-Sensitive Parliaments".

The Annual 2012 Session of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO was held in Geneva (Switzerland) from 15 to 16 November 2012. A three-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, participated in the event.

The Meeting of 28th Session of the Steering Committee of Parliamentary Conference on the WTO was held in Brussels (Belgium) on 28 and 29 May 2013. It discussed the update on recent developments at the WTO. Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, participated in the event.

The Multi-country seminar on Parliaments and Accountability for Women's and Children's Health was held in Dhaka (Bangladesh) on 30 and 31 July 2013. A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Bijoya Chakravarty, MP, attended the Forum.

Other International Conferences/Events/Workshops (IPU)

The 4th Plenary Session of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) was held in Bandung (Indonesia) from 7 to 10 December 2009. A three member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Sushil Kumar Singh, MP, Lok Sabha attended the Session. At the Plenary of APA, India was granted full membership. The Session held deliberation on the subject item *'The Roles of Asian Parliaments in Strengthening Democracy towards Prosperity, Peace and Justice in the Region'.*

The Meetings of the Standing Committee on Political Affairs and Ad-hoc Working Group on Information and Communications Technology (ICT) took place in Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran on 12 to 14 May 2010. A three-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal, MP, attended the Meetings.

1st Session of the General Assembly of Forum of Asia Pacific Parliamentarians for Education (FASPPED) was held on 6 and 7 July 2010 in Jakarta, Indonesia. An Indian parliamentary Delegation consisting of Shri Kamal Kishor, MP, and Dr. Prabhakar Kore, MP, attended the session.

The Meetings of 1st APA Executive Council and APA Sub-Committee on Alleviating Poverty in Asia was held in Jakarta on 12 and 13 October 2010. Shri Tathagata Satpathy, MP, attended the Meetings.

The 15th General Assembly of the Asia Pacific Parliamentarians Conference on Environment & Development (APPCED) was held in Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia) from 6 to 9 June 2011. A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Sadananda Gowda Devaragunda Venkappa, MP, attended the Assembly. The Assembly deliberated on the theme, "Climate Change and Tourism".

The 7th Asia-Europe Parliamentarians Meeting (ASEP-7) was held in Vientiane, Lao PDR on 3 and 4 October 2012. A three-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri M. Krishnasswamy, MP, participated in the Meeting. The theme of the ASEP-7 Meeting was "Asia-Europe Parliamentary Partnership for Sustainable Development".

The 16th General Assembly of the Asia Pacific Parliamentarians Conference on Environment and Development (APPCED) was held in Kathmandu, Nepal from 14 to 18 January 2013. A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Anant Kumar Hegde, MP, participated in the above session of APPCED. The Delegation participated in the discussions held on the Main theme of the event entitled 'Economic Development and Environmental Challenges'.

The 34th General Assembly of Asean Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) was held in Brunei (Darussalam) from 18 to 23 September 2013. The Indian Parliamentary delegation consisting of Shri Viswanathan Perumal, MP participated in the 34th General Assembly of Asean Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA). Indian Delegation had the Observer Status in the Assembly.

*Seventh Conference of Association of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Speakers and Parliamentarians held in Maldives from 21 to 23 December 20*13. An eight-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker,

Lok Sabha attended the above Conference. During the Conference following themes were discussed:—

(i) Strengthening Democracy in the South Asia region through Institutional Development; and

(ii) Democracy and inclusive development – Achieving SAARC Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

Women Parliamentarians discussed the theme "*Opportunities and Challenges for Women's political participation and representation in South Asia*".

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)

The CPA is an Association of Commonwealth Parliamentarians who, irrespective of gender, race, religion or culture, are united by community of interest, respect for the rule of law and the rights and freedoms of the individual citizen, and by pursuit of the positive ideals of parliamentary democracy. These objectives are pursued by means of Conferences, Plenary and Regional, Inter-Parliamentary visits, holding of Seminars and Workshops, issue of publications and periodicals, notably, The Parliamentarian, and through the Parliamentary Information and Reference Centre. The Association was founded in 1911 as the Empire Parliamentary Association. The Presiding Officers of the legislative chambers of member-countries are normally the Branch Presidents of the CPA. The Clerk of the Legislature usually performs the duties of the Honorary Secretary of the Branch. Plenary Conferences of the Association are held annually and they take place in a different Commonwealth Country each year. Lasting about a week, these Conferences normally discuss matters of immediate concern to the Commonwealth.

Conferences of the Association

The 55th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference: The 55th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference was held in Arusha, Tanzania from 28 September to 6 October 2009. A thirty-six member Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and member of the CPA Executive committee, attended the Conference. The delegation comprised of Shri Hashim Abdul Halim, Speaker, West Bengal Legislative Assembly and Treasurer, CPA and Shri Uday Narain Chowdhury, Speaker, Bihar Legislative Assembly and Shri Tanka Bahadur Rai, Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly, both members CPA Executive Committee, six Members of Parliament as delegates from India Union Branch and twenty delegates from State CPA Branches of India Region. Besides this, one Regional Secretary, one Secretary to the delegation from India Union and three delegation Secretary from State Branches attended the Conference.

The theme of the Conference was "The Commonwealth and the CPA – Meeting future Global Challenges". The following were the topics discussed at the conference in workshops/Plenary:—

(i) Coalition Governments : Parliamentary Democracy in Dilemma?;

(ii) Policy Responses to the Global Financial Crisis;

(iii) Role of Commonwealth Parliaments in Combating Terrorism;

(iv) The Role of Parliament in Shaping the Information Society;

(v) The Role of Parliamentarians in the Elimination of Violence Against Women with Particular Reference to Domestic Violence;

(vi) Climate Change – Are Policy Solutions Working?;

(vii) Developing Mechanisms to Remedy Root Causes of Political, Economic and Social Conflicts; and

(viii) The Commonwealth and Youth – How to Engage Future Generations in Representative Democracy.

A meeting of the newly constituted task force on Climate Change was also held.

The 56th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference: The 56th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference was held in Nairobi, Kenya, from 10 to 19 September 2010. A thirty-three Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and member CPA Executive Committee attended the Conference. The delegation was comprised of Shri Hashim Abdul Halim, Speaker, West Bengal Legislative Assembly, Treasurer, CPA and Shri Tanka Bahadur Rai, Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly, member of the CPA Executive Committee, five Members of Parliament as delegates from India Union Branch. From State CPA Branches of India Region, nineteen delegates attended the Conference. Regional Secretary, CPA India Region, One delegate Secretary from India Union and three delegate Secretaries from State CPA Branches attended the Conference.

The theme of the Conference was "Parliament and Development in the 21st Century: Thus Far and Beyond". The following were the topics of discussion in the Workshops/ Plenaries at the Conference:

(i) The Role of Parliament in Peace Building: The case of Kenya in Addressing Post-Election Violence in 2008;

(ii) The Role of Parliamentarians in Natural Disaster Management;

(iii) Energy and Environment: Achieving Sustainable Development;

(iv) Parliament, Accountability and the Role of Internet Governance in Strengthening Oversight;

(v) The Role of Parliamentarians in Facilitating Grassroots Projects;

(vi) The Role of Parliamentarians in the Protection of Migrant Workers;

(vii) The Global Water and Food Crisis; and

(viii) How prepared is the Commonwealth for the Emerging New World Economic Order?

During the Plenary Session, the Conference discussed the subject "Commonwealth Initiatives in Handling Migration Issues".

The 2nd Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Conference was held on 13 September 2010 at Nairobi. The topic of the discussion was "The Status of Women in 2010". During Plenary Session, discussions were held on following topics:

(i) Strategies to increase Women's Representation in Parliament;

(ii) Enhancing Participation of Women in Decision – making processes;

(iii) Women as Migrant Workers; and

(iv) Reform of Political Parties – Working towards Democracy.

The 57th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference: The 57th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference was held in London, United Kingdom, from 21 to 28 July 2011. A thirty-nine member Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and member CPA Executive Committee attended the Conference. Shri Tanka Bahadur Rai, Minister of Planning and Development, etc., Government of Assam and Sardar Harmohinder Singh Chhatta, Minister of Finance, Planning, etc., Government of Haryana attended the CPA Executive Committee Meeting as Regional Representative from India Region. Five Members of Parliament attended the Conference as India Union delegates. Regional Secretary, CPA India Region and one delegation Secretary from CPA India Union attended the Conference. Twenty-five delegates and four delegation Secretaries from CPA State Branches also attended the Conference.

The theme of the Conference was "Reinforcing Democracy". The following were the topics of the Workshops/Centennial Penuries:

(i) The Commonwealth in the 21st Century.

(ii) Parliament and Reforms – Raising the Benchmarks.

(iii) Commonwealth initiatives in Handling Migration issues.

(iv) Enhancing good governance and accountability; Improving standards of probity and performance.

(v) The World Economy and Obstacles facing the Commonwealth.

(vi) Women as agents of change: Where are we now? The way forward.

(vii) Technological Threats to International, National and Personal Security.

(viii) The role of Parliamentarians in Advancing the Transfer of Agricultural Technology and Research.

During the Plenary Session, the Conference discussed the subject "Commonwealth Parliaments – Progress and Challenges".

The 58th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference: The 58th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference was held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, from 7 to 15 September 2012. A thirty-four member Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and member CPA Executive Committee attended the Conference. Shri Kiyanilie Peseyie, Speaker, Nagaland Legislative Assembly and Sardar Harmohinder Singh Chhatta, Minister of Finance, Government of Haryana attended the CPA Executive Committee Meeting as Regional Representative from India Region. Five Members of Parliament attended the Conference as India Union delegates. One Regional Secretary, CPA India Region and one delegation Secretary from CPA India Union attended the Conference. Twenty delegates and three delegation Secretaries from CPA State Branches also attended the Conference.

The theme of the Conference was "Ensuring a Relevant Commonwealth for the Future". The following were the topics of the Workshops/ Plenaries:

(i) Empowering Future Generations through Access to Health and Education and Vocation Training;

(ii) Should the Commonwealth Establish a Commissioner for Democracy, the Rule of Law and Human Rights?;

(iii) The Politics of Constitution – Making the Role of Parliaments in Relation to the People;

(iv) Ensuring Adequate Parliamentary Scrutiny of Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs;

(v) The Role of Parliamentarians in Conflict Resolution and Peace – Building;

(vi) Engaging Political Parties to improve Gender – responsive Governance;

(vii) Terrorism – The Threat to Democracy, Peace and Security; and

(viii) Tackling Youth Unemployment.

During its Plenary Session the Conference discussed the subject "The Role of Social Media in Modern-day-Politics".

The 59th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference: The 59th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference was held in Johannesburg, South Africa from 28 August to 6 September 2013. Due to extended Parliament Session, Delegation from India Union Branch could not attend the Conference. A twenty-four member delegation from Twenty-four State CPA Branches of India attended the Conference. Three Delegation Secretary from State CPA Branches attended the Conference.

The theme of the Conference was "Effective Solutions to Commonwealth Developmental Challenges". During the Conference following eight topics were discussed in Workshop/Plenary Sessions:—

(i) Land Access and Ownership: Progress and Challenges Experiences by Rural Communities in Accessing Land. What could be the Role and Intervention of Parliamentarians?;

(ii) Should there be Parliamentary Intervention in the Informal Economy and Entrepreneurship Sectors?;

(iii) The Challenges of Attaining the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) by 2015;

(iv) Inequitable Resource – Sharing: A Threat to Democratic Governance;

(v) Role of Parliamentarians in Transfer of Technology and Research to Boost Agricultural Productivity;

(vi) Governing Democratically in a Tech-Empowered World: Deepening Partnerships between Parliaments and Parliamentary Monitoring Organization;

(vii) Separation of Powers and Good Governance; and

(viii) Policy solutions for Caring for an Ageing Population.

During its Plenary Session, the Conference discussed the subject "A Parliamentary Response to the Commonwealth Charter".

Conferences of Speakers and Presiding Officers of Commonwealth (CSPOC)

The 20th CSPOC was held in New Delhi from 4 to 8 January 2010. The Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh, inaugurated the Conference in the Plenary Hall of Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. A Commemorative Stamp was released on this occasion by the Prime Minister. The Conference was attended by approximately 250 dignitaries including Speakers, Presiding Officers, Members of Parliament, Spouses, Accompanying persons, etc. from the various Commonwealth countries and State Legislatures of India.

Following three topics were discussed during the Conference:—

(i) The Speaker's role as a mediator;

(ii) The use of technology in the parliamentary context; and

(iii) The role of Speaker in the administration of Parliament

The meeting of the Standing Committee of the CSPOC was hosted by the Parliament of the Isle of Man in Douglas from 12 to 15 January 2011. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, accompanied by Shri T.K. Vishwanathan, Secretary-General, Lok Sabha, participated in the meeting.

The 21st CSPOC was held at Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago from 7 to 12 January 2012. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and Shri T.K. Vishwanathan, Secretary-General, Lok Sabha, attended the Conference. Following three topics were discussed:—

(i) The Role of Parliamentary Diplomacy in the era of Globalization;

(ii) Executive Accountability; Oversight role of Parliament;

(iii) Emerging New Challenges for Speakers; Multiparty Chambers and Minority or Coalition Governments; and

(iv) Parliamentary Service and its Management; Strengthening the Independence of Parliament.

CPA India and Asia Region Conference

The 4th India and Asia Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Conference was hosted by Chhattisgarh CPA Branch from 25 to 29 October 2010 at Raipur. The Conference was inaugurated by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha. The theme of the Conference was "Challenges of Development before the Developing Asian Nations". The Conference held two Plenary Sessions on 26 and 27 October 2010 on the following topics:

(i) Terrorism and Naxalism: Threat to Democracy—Need for Joint Efforts in the Region; and

(ii) Food Security and Cooperation at Regional Level: Role and Responsibility of Parliamentarians.

The Delegation from the India Union Branch consisted of Shri K. Rahman Khan, Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha; Shri Kariya Munda, Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha; Shri Kamal Kishore, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha). Fourteen delegates comprising Speakers/Presiding Officers/ Representatives from the CPA Asia Region *viz.* Sri Lanka, Maldives, Bangladesh and four provincial branches of Pakistan attended the aforesaid Conference at Raipur. From State CPA Branches of CPA India Region Thirty-six delegates comprising of Speakers, Presiding Officers, MLA, Government Whips from the State CPA India Region Branches attended the Conference. Nineteen Secretaries from India and seven Secretaries from Asia Region also attended the Conference. Shri T.K. Viswanathan, Secretary General, Lok Sabha being Regional Secretary attended the Conference. Dr. William F. Shija, Secretary General, CPA also attended the Conference as special invitee.

The Speaker, Lok Sabha addressed at the conclusion of the Conference. The Deputy Speaker, Shri Kariya Munda, delivered the Valedictory address on 27 October 2010.

An Exhibition entitled "Democracy and Development: An Asia Perspective" was organised by the Lok Sabha Secretariat and another Exhibition entitled "A decade of Chhattisgarh: An Overview" was organised by the Chhattisgarh CPA Branch and the Government of Chhattisgarh.

The 3rd CPA Asia Regional Conference was held in Colombo, Sri Lanka from 11 to 16 February 2011. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha attended the Conference as Guest of Honour. Shri T.K. Viswanathan, Secretary General, Lok Sabha, also attended the Conference. Delegates from Pakistan, Bangladesh, Maldives and Sri Lanka attended the Conference. The Speaker, Lok Sabha delivered a speech at the opening ceremony of the Conference. She was the lead Speaker in the Plenary Session on "Poverty Alleviation". In the other two Plenary Sessions discussions were held on "Climate Change and Natural Disaster" and "Mother and Child".

*The Twelfth Annual Conference of North-East Region, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (NERCPA) w*as held at Shillong, Meghalaya from 28 to 30 January 2010. Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha inaugurated the said Conference in her capacity as Patron of NERCPA and Chief Guest of the Conference. The Speaker, Lok Sabha also delivered Inaugural Address on the occasion.

The Conference deliberated on the Topic "The Impact of Insurgency activities in the North-East India on Socio-Economic Development and its solution thereof".

The 13th Conference of the North-East Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (NERCPA) was hosted by Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly at Itanagar/Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh from 28 to 30 April 2011. The Speaker, Lok Sabha was the Chief Guest of the Conference and inaugurated the Conference on 28 April 2011.

The topic of discussion of the Conference was "Financial Autonomy of Legislative Assembly Secretariat adhering to the provision of the Constitution of India".

Annual Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminars

The 22nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminar: 22nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminar was hosted by India Union, CPA Branch in New Delhi, from 22 to 29 November 2011. Twenty-one delegates from Commonwealth countries attended the Conference. Five Members of Parliament attended the Seminar from Parliament of India. Besides,

delegates from Haryana, Karnataka, Manipur, Uttar Pradesh, Uttrakhand State CPA Branches of India attended the Seminar. The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar inaugurated the Seminar in Main Committee Room, Parliament House Annexe. Dr. William F. Shija, Secretary General, CPA attended the Seminar. Following topics were discussed in the Seminar:—

(i) The Commonwealth and the Role of the CPA;

(ii) The Parliamentary and Political Scene in India;

(iii) The Role of the Presiding Officer, the Parliamentary Staff and the Standing Orders;

(iv) The Members of Parliament and the Political Party;

(v) Parliamentary Ethics, Transparency and Accountability;

(vi) Parliamentary Committees and the Committee System;

(vii) The Relationship Between Parliament and the People;

(viii) Financial Scrutiny of the Executive;

(ix) Parliament, the Executive and the Public Service;

(x) Services for Members of Parliament;

(xi) Right to information;

(xii) Parliament, Gender and Human Rights; and

(xiii) Parliament and HIV/AIDS

The 23rd Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminar: The 23rd Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminar on Strengthening Parliamentary Democracy was held in Apia, Samoa from 24 to 30 May 2012. One Member from Lok Sabha and one delegate each from Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Mizoram, Kerala and Rajasthan attended the Seminar.

The 24th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Seminar: The 24th Commonwealth Parliamentary Seminar on Strengthening Parliamentary Democracy was held in Singapore from 27 May to 1 June 2013. One Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, participated in the Seminar from CPA India Union Branch. One delegate each from Haryana, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan State CPA Branches attended the Seminar.

Regional Seminar on Financial Oversight and the Role of Public Accounts Committees was held in Dhaka, Bangladesh from 8 to 12 November 2009. The CPA Secretariat in coordination with World Bank Institute organized the Seminar. Shri Bhartruhari Mahtab, MP and Shri Aruna Kumar Vundavalli, MP (Lok Sabha), and Members of Public Accounts Committee of Lok Sabha, Shri Ashok Sarin, Joint Secretary, Public Accounts Committee, Lok Sabha Secretariat and Shri P. K. Kataria, Principal Director in the Comptroller General Office attended the Seminar from CPA India Union Branch.

India Region Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Seminar on "Gender Justice and Responsive Governance" was organized by the CPA India Region in Main Committee Room at Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi on 8 and 9 March 2013. Thirty-eight delegates/CWP Members from CPA Branches attended the Seminar. Kumari Meenaskhi Natarajan, MP, Lok Sabha and Smt. Vandana Chavan, MP, Rajya Sabha attended the Seminar as India Union delegates. The Exhibition on "Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in India" was also inaugurated by the Speaker on 8 March 2013. Welcome address was delivered by Smt. Chandresh Kumari Katoch, Minister of Culture and Chairperson, India Region CWP Steering Committee.

Two sessions were held on 8 and 9 March 2013 on the following topics:

(i) Gender and Criminal Justice System: Challenges to understanding Crimes against Women in Society; and

(ii) Need for a special programme for creating awareness of legal rights among Women.

The documentary "India the Motherland" was also played for the delegates.

The CPA Regional Workshop on Benchmarks for Democratic Parliaments for the Asia, India and South-East Asia Regions was held at Dhaka, Bangladesh from 25 to 29 January 2010. The Indian Delegation was represented by Shri Omprakash Yadav, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) and Dr. Prabhaben Kishore Taviad, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha). Shri Ravindra Garimella, Additional Director and Shri N.C. Gupta, Additional Director, Lok Sabha Secretariat also attended

the Workshop. Following Topics were discussed at the Workshop:—

(i) Elections, Candidate eligibility, Incompatibility of Office, Immunity, Remuneration and Benefits, Resignation and Infrastructure;

(ii) Procedure and Sessions and Committees;

(iii) Political Parties, Party Groups and Cross Party Groups;

(iv) Parliamentary Staff;

(v) Legislative, Oversight and Representational Function;

(vi) Accessibility and Ethical Governance; and

(vii) Conclusions and Adoption of Asia Regional Benchmarks for Democratic Parliaments Recommendations.

The Globe Bio-Diversity Forum and Globe Coral Reef Crisis Meeting was held from 24 to 26 October 2010 at Nagoya, Japan. The Globe Coral Reef Crisis Meeting was held alongside the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). 10th Conference of Parties (COP10) at Nagoya, Japan and was co-hosted by Globe International and Globe, Japan.

A Workshop on the 'Role of Parliamentarians and Constituency Development Funds (CDF)' was organised by Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) in partnership with the State University of New York Centre for International Development (SUNY/CID), and the United Nation Development Programme (UNDP) in Kingston, Jamaica from 6 to 10 June 2011. Shri Amarnath Pradhan, Member of Parliament attended the workshop.

The following topics were discussed:

(i) Policy Making on Constituency Development Funds;

(ii) Implementation of Constituency Development Funds;

(iii) Oversight;

(iv) Principles of Good Practice in Constituency Development Funds;

(v) Administration and Management;

(vi) Accountability and Oversight;

(vii) Monitoring and Evaluation; and

(viii) Tools for successful CDF Implementation.

The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association in partnership with the Commonwealth Secretariat hosted a workshop on Government and Opposition 'Roles, Rights and Responsibilities for the Asia Region in Male, Maldives from 13 to 15 June 2011. Shri Vijay Bahuguna, MP, Lok Sabha attended the workshop as a CPA Secretariat representative and delivered Opening and Closing remarks in the Workshop on behalf of CPA Secretariat.

Workshop sessions were on following topics:—

(i) The challenge of Good Governance;

(ii) The Role of Parliament;

(iii) Government and Opposition: Roles and Responsibilities;

(iv) Transparency and Accountability: Engaging Oversight Institutions, Media, Civil Society and Other Stakeholders;

(v) The Broader Context: Human Rights, Women and Youth;

(vi) Credible and Peaceful Elections: The Role of Political Parties; and

(vii) Managing Conflicts: Promotions Stability and Prosperity.

The CPA Global Seminar on the "Role of Parliaments and Extractive Industries" was held in Vienna, Austria from 29 to 31 October 2013. The main aim of the Seminar was to bring together Members of Parliament from diverse Parliaments across the globe to participate in a dialogue and exchange knowledge. The Seminar provided opportunity to exchange knowledge amongst MPs on good practice around Extractive Industries particularly as they relate to Parliamentary oversight and monitoring, to share recent research outcomes and experiences related to the Extractive Industries and to identify demand-driven entry points and strategies to support Parliaments and Members of Parliament to engage the Extractive sector more effectively.

The following topics were discussed during the Seminar:—

(i) Extractive for Development and Role of Parliament in Extractive Industries;

(ii) Understanding and Enforcing Extractive Contracts;

(iii) Parliament and the Budget;

(iv) Revenue Forecasting and Budget Analysis;

(v) Fiscal Rules and Fiscal Responsibility; and

(vi) Conference Reflections and the Way Forward.

Shri Kalyan Banerjee, MP, Chairperson of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel participated in the Seminar from India Union CPA Branch. From the State CPA Branch, Shri Kuldeep Sharma, Speaker, Haryana Vidhan Sabha participated in the Seminar.

Apart from these, the CPA organised Study Groups/ Forums/Workshops from time to time in which members from the India Union CPA Branch attended. There were mid-year Executive Committee meetings of the CPA. The CPA India Region Executive also met regularly. The UK Branch CPA also conducted Seminars/Conferences from time to time in which members from both the Indian Parliament and State Legislatures attended. There were also CPA Canada Parliamentary Seminars having participation by delegates from India. Details about all Conferences etc. have been provided in **Statement 48**. The details regarding visit of Indian parliamentary Delegations abroad as well as Parliamentary Delegations which visited India during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha have been provided in **Statement 49**.

III. FUNCTIONS HELD IN THE CENTRAL HALL OF PARLIAMENT HOUSE

Commemorative function on the 60th Anniversary of the Parliament of India: A commemorative function to mark the 60th Anniversary of the Parliament of India was held on 13 May 2012 in the Central Hall of the Parliament House.

The function commenced with the playing of National Anthem. Shri Rishang Keishing, Shri Reshamlal Jangde, Shri Kandala Subrahmanyam and Shri M. Mohana Rao, Members of the First Lok Sabha were felicitated and mementoes presented by the President of India, Smt. Pratibha Devi Singh Patil. Commemorative Coins in the denominations of Rs. 5/- and Rs. 10/- and Commemorative Publications to mark the occasion were released by the President of India. It was followed by Santoor recital by Pt. Shiv Kumar Sharma and Shri Rahul Sharma; Sitar recital by Shri Debu Choudhary; Carnatic Vocal by Maharajapuram Ramachandran; Hindustani Vocal by Ustad Iqbal Ahmed Khan and performance by Smt. Shubha Mudgal.

The President of India, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil; the Vice-president of India and Chairperson, Rajya Sabha Shri Mohammed Hamid Ansari; Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh; and the Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar addressed the gathering. The function concluded with the playing of the National Anthem.

Address by Foreign Dignitaries

Mr. Barack H. Obama, President of the United States of America, addressed the Members of Parliament on 8 November 2010 in the Central Hall of Parliament House under the auspices of the Indian Parliamentary Group. The President of the United States of America signed the Golden Visitor's Book.

Shri Mohammad Hamid Ansari, Vice President of India and Chairman, Rajya Sabha delivered the welcome address and Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha and President of the Indian Parliamentary Group delivered the vote of thanks. Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh also graced the occasion.

Outstanding Parliamentarians Awards

A function to confer Outstanding Parliamentarian Award to Shri Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi, MP for the year 2007; Shri Mohan Singh, MP for the year 2008; and Dr. Mulri Manohar Joshi, MP for the year 2009 was held on 18 August 2010 in the Central Hall of the Parliament House. Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, President of India, conferred the Awards.

Function to Bid Farewell to Outgoing President

A function was held in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 23 July 2012 to bid farewell to the outgoing President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil. During the function the Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, presented on behalf of the Members of Parliament, a Farewell Address placing on record their respectful and affectionate tributes to Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil. She also presented Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil a casket containing a scroll signed by all Members of Parliament and a silver plaque with a replica of Parliament House. The outgoing President then addressed the distinguished gathering. She also attended an 'At Home' given by the Members of Parliament.

STATEMENT 48

Parliamentary Conferences/Meetings/Seminars/Symposia

Sl. No.	Name of Conference/Meeting/ Seminars/Symposium	Venue	Date	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
	I. NATIONAL LEVEL			
1.	74th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India	Bhopal	3-4 February 2010	
	Symposium on "Urgency in addressing the needs of Environment and Conservation of Wild Life"	Bhopal	5 February 2010	
	Conference of Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India	Bhopal	2 February 2010	
2.	75th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India	Srinagar	20-21 June 2010	
	Symposium on "Performance of the Legislators in the House – Ensuring Accountability to the People"	Srinagar	22 June 2010	
	Conference of Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India	Srinagar	19 June 2010	
3.	76th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India	Jaipur	21-22 September 2011	
	Symposium on "Strengthening the Constitutional Scheme of Checks and Balances"	Jaipur	23 September 2011	
	Conference of Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India	Jaipur	20 September 2011	
	II. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES/SEMINARS, ETC.			
	Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU)			
1.	121st Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Geneva (Switzerland)	19-21 October 2009	A five-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
2.	122nd Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Bangkok (Thailand)	27 March - 1 April 2010	An eight-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.

1	2	3	4	5
3.	123rd Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Geneva (Switzerland)	4-6 October 2010	A seven-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
4.	124th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Panama City (Panama)	15-20 April 2011	A nine-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
5.	125th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Bern (Switzerland)	16-19 October 2011	A six-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
6.	126th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Kampala (Uganda)	31 March - 5 April 2012	A seven-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
7.	127th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Quebec City (Canada)	21-26 October 2012	A seven-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
8.	128th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Quito (Ecuador)	22-27 March 2013	A six-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Kariya Munda, Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
9.	129th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Geneva (Switzerland)	7-9 October 2013	A six-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
10.	130th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Geneva (Switzerland)	16-20 March 2014	A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Prof. P.J. Kurien, Deputy Chairperson, Rajya Sabha, attended.
	Other Conferences held under the aegis of the IPU			
1.	8th Session of the UNCCD Round Table for parliamentarians	Buenos Aires (Argentina)	24-25 September 2009	Shri Kavuri Samba Siva Rao, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.

1	2	3	4	5
2.	4th Conference for Members of Parliamentary Committees on the Status of Women and other Committees dealing with Gender Equality	Geneva (Switzerland)	28-29 September 2009	A two-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation, attended.
3.	Meetings of (i) WTO Public Forum 2009; (ii) Parliamentary Panel on WTO Public Forum 2009; and (iii) 19th Session of the Steering Committee	Geneva (Switzerland)	28 September - 1 October 2009	Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
4.	2nd Preparatory Meeting of the Third Conference of Speakers of Parliament	New York (U.S.A.)	16-17 November 2009	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
5.	21st session of the Steering Committee of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO	Geneva (Switzerland)	24-25 June 2010	Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
6.	6th Annual Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament	Bern (Switzerland)	16-17 July 2010	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
7.	4th and 5th (Final) Meetings of the Preparatory Committee	Geneva (Switzerland)	18-20 July 2010	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
8.	3rd World Conference of Speakers of Parliament	Geneva (Switzerland)	19-21 July 2010	A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
9.	Conference on 'Parliaments, Minorities and Indigenous Peoples: Overcoming the challenges to effective participation in decision-making	Chiapas (Mexico)	31 October - 3 November 2010	Shri Siricilla Rajaiah, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
10.	4th Parliamentary Forum on Shaping the Information Society on the Triple Challenge of Cyber-Security: Information, Citizens and Infrastructure	Geneva (Switzerland)	18-20 May 2011	A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation, attended.
11.	Meeting of Co-Rapporteurs of the Third Standing Committee of IPU	Geneva (Switzerland)	18-20 May 2011	Shri Francisco Sardinha, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
12.	Regional seminar for Asian Parliaments on 'Preventing and Responding to Violence against Women and Girls: From Legislation to effective enforcement	New Delhi (India)	15-17 September 2011	An 11-member Indian Delegation led by Dr. (Kumari) Girija Vyas, MP, participated.
13.	25th Session of the Steering Committee of Parliamentary Conference on the WTO	Brussels (Belgium)	7-8 May 2012	Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
14.	Meetings of (i) WTO Public Forum 2012 (ii) 26th Session of the Steering Committee of Parliamentary Conference on the WTO	Geneva (Switzerland)	24-26 September 2012	Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.

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15.	7th Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament on *Gender Sensitive Parliaments.*	New Delhi (India)	3-4 October 2012	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended/presided the inaugural session of the Meeting.
16.	Annual 2012 Session of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO	Geneva (Switzerland)	15-16 November 2012	A three-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
17.	Meeting of 28th Session of the Steering Committee of Parliamentary Conference on the WTO	Brussels (Belgium)	28-29 May 2013	Shri P.C. Chacko, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
18.	Multi-country seminar on Parliaments and Accountability for Women's and Children's Health	Dhaka (Bangladesh)	30-31 July 2013	A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Smt. Bijoya Chakravarty, MP, attended.
	Other International Conferences (IPU)			
1.	4th Plenary Session of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA)	Bandung (Indonesia)	7-10 December 2009	A three-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Sushil Kumar Singh, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
2.	Meetings of the (i) Standing Committee on 'Political Affairs' and (ii) Ad-hoc Working Group on ICT	Tehran (Islamic Republic of Iran)	12-14 May 2010	A three- member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Jai Prakash Agarwal, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
3.	1st Session of the General Assembly of FASPPED	Jakarta (Indonesia)	6-7 July 2010	A three-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Kamal Kishor, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
4.	Meetings of (i) 1st APA Executive Council; and (ii) APA Sub-Committee on Alleviating Poverty in Asia	Jakarta (Indonesia)	12-13 October 2010	Shri Tathagata Satpathy, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
5.	15th General Assembly of the Asia Pacific Parliamentarians Conference on Environment and Development (APPCED)	Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)	6-9 June 2011	A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Sadananda Gowda Devaragunda Venkappa, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.

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6.	7th Asia-Europe Parliamentarians Meeting (ASEP-7)	Vientiane (Lao PDR)	3-4 October 2012	A three-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri M. Krishnasswamy, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
7.	16th General Assembly of the Asia Pacific Parliamentarians Conference on Environment & Development (APPCED)	Kathmandu (Nepal)	14-18 January 2013	A four-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by Shri Anant Kumar Dattatreya Hegde, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
8.	34th General Assembly of Asean Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA)	Brunei, Darussalam	18-23 September 2013	Shri Viswanathan Perumal, MP, Lok Sabha, attended.
9.	Seventh Conference of Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians	Maldives	21-23 December 2013	An eight-member Indian Parliamentary Delegation led by the Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
	COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION (CPA)			
	CPA Conferences			
1.	55th CPA Conference	Arusha (Tanzania)	28 September - 06 October 2009	A 36-member Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
2.	56th CPA Conference (2nd Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Conference was held on 13 September 2010)	Nairobi (Kenya)	10-19 September 2010	A 33-member Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
3.	57th CPA Conference	London (United Kingdom)	21-28 July 2011	A 39-member Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
4.	58th CPA Conference	Colombo (Sri Lanka)	7-15 September 2012	A 34-member Indian Delegation led by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
5.	59th CPA Conference	Johannesburg (South Africa)	28 August- 6 September 2013	A 24-member Delegation from State branches, attended.

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	Commonwealth Speakers' and Presiding Officers Conferences/Meetings			
1.	20th CSPOC	New Delhi (India)	4-8 January 2010	Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India, inaugurated the Conference.
2.	21st CSPOC Standing Committee Meeting	Douglas (Isle of Man)	12-15 January 2011	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha attended.
3.	21st CSPOC	Port of Spain (Trinidad and Tobago)	7-12 January 2012	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha attended.
	CPA India & Asia Region Conferences			
1.	4th Joint India and Asia Regional Conference	Raipur (India)	25-29 October 2010	A 55-member delegation from CPA India Branch & State branches and 14 delegates from Asia Region attended.
2.	3rd CPA Asia Regional Conference	Colombo (Sri Lanka)	11-16 February 2011	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
	NERCPA Conferences			
1.	12th Annual Conference of North East Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (NERCPA)	Shillong (Meghalaya)	28-31 January 2010	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
2.	13th NERCPA Conference	Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh)	28-30 April 2011	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, attended.
	CPA Seminars			
1.	22nd CPA Seminar	New Delhi (India)	22-29 November 2011	Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha, inaugurated the Seminar
2.	23rd CPA Seminar	Samoa (Apia)	24-30 May 2012	A six-member delegation of Lok Sabha & State CPA Branches, attended.
3.	24th CPA Seminar	Singapore	27 May - 1 June 2013	A five-member delegation of Lok Sabha & State CPA Branches, attended.
	Seminar on PAC			
1.	CPA India and Asia Regions Seminar of Financial Oversight and the role of PACs	Dhaka (Bangladesh)	8-13 November 2009	A five-member delegation of Lok Sabha, attended.

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	CWP Seminar			
1.	India Region Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Seminar on Gender Justice and Responses Governance	New Delhi	8-9 March 2013	Inaugurated by Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha.
	CPA - Other Seminars/Conferences/Workshops			
1.	International Parliamentary Governance Seminar	London, Brussels and Edinburgh (United Kingdom)	9-21 November 2009	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha, attended.
2.	CPA Regional Workshop on Benchmarks for Democratic Parliaments for the Asia, India and South East Asia Regions	Dhaka (Bangladesh)	25-29 January 2010	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha, attended.
3.	International Parliamentary Conference on Peace Building : Tackling State Fragility	London (United Kingdom)	31 January - 6 February 2010	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha & State CPA Branch, attended.
4.	The CPA UK Branch International Parliamentary Conference on Climate Change: Global to Local	London (United Kingdom)	12-16 July 2010	One-member of Lok Sabha and one delegate, attended.
5.	Globe Bio diversity Forum and Global coral Reef Crisis Meeting	Nagoya (Japan)	24-26 October 2010	One-member of Lok Sabha, attended.
6.	Workshop on the Role of Parliamentarians Constituency Development Funds	Kingston (Jamaica)	6-10 June 2011	One-member of Lok Sabha, attended.
7.	Government and Opposition Workshop 'Rules, Rights and Responsibilities'	Male (Maldives)	13-15 June 2011	One-member of Lok Sabha, attended.
8.	Joint CPA UK/BGIPU International Parliamentary Conference on Gender and Politics	London (United Kingdom)	6-8 November 2012	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha, attended.
9.	CPA/WBI Study group on Public Account Committees	Victoria (Austria)	6-10 November 2012	One-member of Lok Sabha, attended.
	Events hosted by UK CPA Branch and Workshop on PAC/Global Seminar			
1.	59th Westminster Seminar on practice and procedure	London (United Kingdom)	7-19 March 2010	A two-member delegation of State CPA Branches, attended.
2.	61st Westminster Seminar and 2nd Workshop at the Houses of Parliament	London (United Kingdom)	6-17 March 2012	A two-member delegation from two State CPA Branches, attended.

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3.	Global Seminar on the "Role of Parliaments and Extractive Industries"	Vienna (Austria)	29-31 October 2012	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha, attended.
4.	3rd Westminster Workshop on PAC	London (United Kingdom)	24-27 June 2013	One-member of Lok Sabha, attended.
5.	CPA Global Seminar on the "Role of Parliaments and Extractive Industries"	Vienna (Austria)	29-31 October 2013	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha & State CPA Branch, attended.
	Canada Parliamentary Seminar			
1.	7th CPA Canadian Parliamentary Seminar	Ottawa (Canada)	18-24 October 2009	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha, attended.
2.	9th CPA Canadian Parliamentary Seminar	Ottawa (Canada)	16-22 October 2011	A two-member delegation of Lok Sabha, attended.
3.	10th CPA Canadian Parliamentary Seminar	Ottawa (Canada)	2-8 June 2013	One-member of Lok Sabha, attended.
	Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting of CPA			
1.	CPA Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting	Swaziland	8-13 May 2010	Speaker, Lok Sabha and two Regional Representatives from State CPA Branches attended.
2.	CPA Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting	Yukon (Canada)	24-27 February 2011	Two Regional Representatives from State CPA.
3.	CPA Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting	Tonga	17-21 April 2012	Speaker, Lok Sabha and two Regional Representatives from States, attended.

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Exchange of Parliamentary Delegations

Sl. No.	Country/Place of Visit	Date	Composition
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	(a) Visits of Indian Parliamentary Delegation abroad		
1.	Italy	12-13 September 2009	A five-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.

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2.	Austria	14-17 September 2009	A 12-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
3.	Mauritius	17-22 January 2010	A 12-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
4.	Bhutan	26-29 May 2010	A 12-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
5.	Hungary and Luxembourg	7-13 June 2010	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
6.	Mongolia	26-30 June 2011	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
7.	United Kingdom	15-19 January 2011	A 14-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
8.	Mexico	11-14 April 2011	A 12-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
9.	Vietnam	14-17 May 2011	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
10.	Republic of Korea	18-20 May 2011	A ten-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
11.	Sweden	13-15 June 2011	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
12.	Denmark	16-18 June 2011	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
13.	Singapore	13-16 September 2011	Smt. Sushma Swaraj, Leader of Opposition, Lok Sabha led a delegation.
14.	Cambodia	18-24 September 2011	A two-member delegation led by Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Shri Ninong Ering.
15.	Japan	2-6 October 2011	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
16.	Iran	2-5 November 2011	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
17.	Chile, Uruguay and Paraguay	13-20 January 2012	A 12-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
18.	Pakistan	21-25 February 2012	A 15-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
19.	New Zealand	13-16 April 2012	A 12-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
20.	Indonesia	16-22 September 2012	A three-member delegation led by Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Shri Mohammad Asrarul Haque.
21.	Pakistan	4-6 November 2012	A 14-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha3, Smt. Meira Kumar.

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22.	Myanmar	12-15 February 2013	A 12-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
23.	Belarus	20-22 May 2013	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
24.	Slovenia	27-31 May 2013	A 13-member delegation led by Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar.
		(b) Foreign Parliamentary Delegations/Dignitaries visited India	
1.	Timor-Leste	6-15 September 2009	A nine-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Osorio Florindo, President of the Committee on Poverty Reduction, Rural, Regional Development and Gender Equality.
2.	Oman	14-18 December 2009	A ten-member delegation led by H.E. Dr. Yahya Bin Mahfoodh Bin Salem Al Manthri, Chairperson of State Council in the Sultanate of Oman.
3.	Thailand	18-24 December 2009	A 16-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Chai Chidchob, President of the National Assembly and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Thai Parliament.
4.	Uruguay	10 - 16 January 2010	A nine-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Roque Arregui, President of the House of Representatives of the Uruguayan Parliament.
5.	Vietnam	23 - 28 February 2010	A 12-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Nguyen Phu Trong, Chairperson of Vietnam's National Assembly.
6.	Croatia	6-10 March 2010	A seven-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Luka Bebic, President of the Croatian Parliament.
7.	Estonia	3-10 April 2010	A ten-member delegation led by H.E. Dr. Mrs. Ene Ergma, President of the Riigikogu (Parliament of Estonia).
8.	Paraguay	10-14 April 2010	An eight-member delegation led by H.E. (Mr.) Senator Miguel Carrizosa Galiano, President of the Paraguayan Parliament.
9.	European Parliament	25-30 April 2010	A 22-member delegation led by Mr. Graham Watson, MEP Chairperson of the Indian Delegation in the European Parliament.
10.	Mexico	8-14 August 2010	A nine-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Carlos Jimenez Macias (Senator), President of the Committee on External Affairs, Asia-Pacific in the Mexican Parliament.
11.	Mongolia	8-14 December 2010	A 15-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Damdingiin Demberel, Chairperson (Speaker) of the State Great Hural (Parliament) of Mongolia.
12.	Albania	18-22 December 2010	A 11-member delegation led by H.E. Mrs. Josefina Topalli, Speaker of the Albanian Parliament.

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13.	Austria	6-11 February 2011	A nine-member delegation led by H.E. Mrs. Barbara Prammer, President of the National Council of the Austrian Parliament.
14.	Republic of Korea	22-26 March 2011	A 16-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Park Hee Tae, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea.
15.	Afghanistan	12-15 July 2011	A 20-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Abdul Raouf Ibrahimi, President of Wolesi Jirga (Parliament of Afghanistan).
16.	Sri Lanka	1-5 August 2011	A 12-member delegation from Sri Lanka led by H.E. Mr. Chamal Rajpaksa, Speaker, Parliament of Sri Lanka.
17.	United Kingdom	15-20 August 2011	Rt. Hon. John Bercow, Speaker, House of Commons of the United Kingdom.
18.	Bhutan	23-26 November 2011	A nine-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Lyonpo Jigme Tshultim, Speaker of the National Assembly of Bhutan.
19.	Bulgaria	26-30 November 2011	A 16-member delegation led by H.E. Mrs. Tsetska Tsacheva, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria.
20.	Italy	1-6 December 2011	An eight-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Sandro Gozi, Chairperson, Italy-India Parliamentary Friendship Group.
21.	Myanmar	11-17 December 2011	A 31-member delegation from Myanmar led by H.E. Thura U Shwe MANN, Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw (Lower House) of Myanmar Parliament.
22.	Luxembourg	28 February - 2 March 2012	A five-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Laurent Mosar, President of the Chamber of Deputies, CSV, Parliament of Luxembourg.
23.	Mauritius	1-6 March 2012	A six-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Rajkeswur Purryag, GCSK, GOSK, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Mauritius.
24.	Trinidad and Tobago	15-20 March 2012	A seven-member delegation jointly led by H.E. Mr. Wade Mark, Speaker of the House of Representatives and H.E. Mr. Timothy Hamel-Smith, President of the Senate of Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago.
25.	Finland	23-26 April 2012	A four-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Eero Heinaluoma, Speaker of the Parliament of Finland.
26.	Saudi Arabia	7-10 May 2012	A ten-member delegation from Saudi Arabia led by H.E. Dr. Abdullah Bin Mohammed Bin Ibrahim Al Al-Sheikh, Speaker of Majlis Ash Shura (Consultative Council) of Saudi Arabia.

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27.	South Africa	8-14 July 2012	A 20-member delegation jointly led by H.E. Mr. M.V. Sisulu, Speaker of the National Assembly and H.E. Mr. M.J. Mahalangu, Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces of the Parliament of South Africa.
28.	Republic of Indonesia	28 July to 02 August 2012	A 16-member delegation led by H.E. Dr. Marzuki Alie, President of AIPA and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia.
29.	Bhutan	5-10 August 2012	A ten-member Parliamentary Delegation led by Hon'ble Lyonpo Namgay Penjore, Chairperson of the National Council of Bhutan.
30.	United Kingdom	21-26 August 2012	An 11-member Parliamentary Delegation led by Rt. Hon. Sir Alan Haselhurst, MP and Chairperson of CPA Executive Committee of the Parliament of United Kingdom.
31.	Iceland	20-27 November 2012	A four-member delegation led by H.E. Ms. Asta R. Johannesdottir, President (Speaker) of Althingi, the Parliament of Iceland.
32.	Hungary	24-30 November 2012	An eight-member Delegation led by H.E. Dr. Laszlo Kover, Speaker of the Hungarian National Assembly.
33.	Pakistan	5-10 December 2012	A 14-member delegation led by H.E. Syed Nayyer Hussain Bokhari, Chairperson of the Senate of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
34.	Iraq	15-20 December 2012	A 28-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Osama Abdul-Aziz-Mohamd Al-Nujaefi, President of the Council of Representatives of Iraq.
35.	Vietnam	20-25 February 2013	An 11-member delegation led by H.E. Mrs.Nguyen Thi Kim Ngan, Secretary of the Party Central Committee and Vice-Chairperson of the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.
36.	Russian Federation	25-27 February 2013	A 43-member delegation led by H.E. Mrs. Valentina I. Matvienko, Chairperson of the Council of Federation, Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.
37.	Iran	24 February - 1 March 2013	A 46-member delegation led by H.E. Dr. Ali Ardeshir Larijani, Speaker of the Islamic Consultative Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Iran.
38.	Macedonia	4-8 March 2013	An 11-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Trajko Veljanoski, President of the Parliament of the Republic of Macedonia.
39.	Peru	20-24 April 2013	An eight-member delegation led by H.E. Mrs. Lourdes Alcorta Suero, MP, President of the Peru-India Parliamentary Friendship League.

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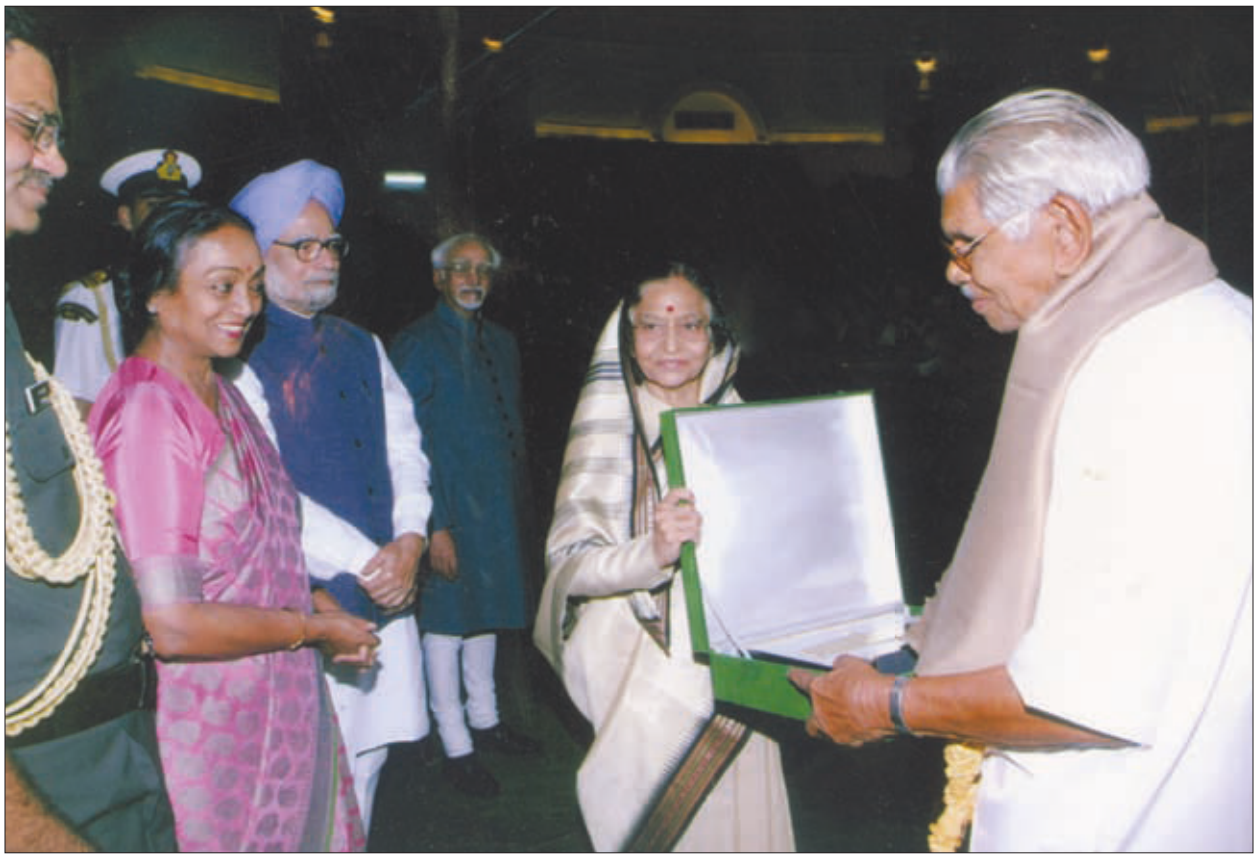
40.	Maldives	04-08 May 2013	A nine-Member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid, Speaker of the Peoples' Majlis (Parliament) of Maldives
41.	Seychelles	04-09 August 2013	A four-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Andre Pool, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly of Seychelles.
42.	Papua New Guinea	26-31 August 2013	A nine-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Theodore Zurenuoc, Speaker of the Parliament of Papua New Guinea.
43.	Myanmar	2-6 December 2013	A 25-member delegation led by H.E. U Khin Aung Myint, Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw (Upper House) of the Parliament of Myanmar.
44.	Armenia	4-8 December 2013	An 18-member delegation led by H.E. Mr. Hovik Abrahamyan, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia.
45.	Bangladesh	12-15 February 2014	H.E. Dr. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, Speaker of the Bangladesh Parliament.



The then President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, presenting a memento to Shri Kanety Mohana Rao, Member, First Lok Sabha, at the function held in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 13 May 2012 to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of 1st Sitting of Lok Sabha

The then President, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, conferring the Outstanding Parliamentarian Award for the year 2007 on Shri Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi, received by Smt. Deepa Dasmunsi, wife of Shri Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi, at a function held in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 18 August 2010

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The Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh, inaugurating the 20th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth on 4 January 2010 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
Also present on the dais are the Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar and the
Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Shri K. Rahman Khan

Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India; Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha; Shri K. Rahman Khan, Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha and other dignitaries at the inauguration of the 20th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth on 4 January 2010 at
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The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, inaugurating the Conference of Ministers of Parliamentary Affairs of States/Union Territories held in Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi on 31 August 2009. Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Water Resources, Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal is also seen on the dais

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, releasing the 6th revised edition of the Book 'Practice and Procedure of Parliament', brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, at the Annual General Meeting of the Indian Parliamentary Group, Parliament House Annexe, 14 December 2009. The Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Shri K. Rahman Khan; Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Water Resources, Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal are also seen in the photograph

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, addressing the Conference of Presiding Officers and Secretaries of Legislative Bodies in India held in Bhopal on 5 February 2010. Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh and Shri Ishwardas Rohani, Speaker of Madhya Pradesh Vidhan Sabha are also present on the dais

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, delivering the inaugural address at the 75th Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India held in Srinagar on 20 June 2010. Shri Mohammed Akbar Lone, Speaker, Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly is also present on the dais

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Conference of Presiding Officers of Legislative Bodies in India held in Jaipur on 21 September 2011. The Speaker, Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha, Shri Deependra Singh Shekhawat is also seen in the photograph

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The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, addressing the delegates at 4th India and Asia Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference held in Raipur, Chhattisgarh on 26 October 2010. The Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Karia Munda; the Secretary-General of the CPA, Dr. William F. Shija and the Secretary-General, Lok Sabha, Shri T.K. Viswanathan are also present on the dais

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar at the Inaugural Session of the 13th Annual Conference of North East Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association held in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh on 28 April 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar with dignitaries at the 'Second G20 Seoul Speakers' Consultation Meeting held at Seoul, the Republic of Korea from 18-20 May 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar with Speakers of SAARC Countries at the Fifth Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians, Parliament Library Building, New Delhi, 9 July 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with delegates of Regional Seminar for Asian Parliaments on 'Preventing and Responding to Violence against Women and Girls: From Legislative to Effective Enforcement', organized by Parliament of India and Inter-Parliamentary Union, New Delhi, 16 September 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar and the Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Shri K. Rahman Khan at the Opening Session of 125th Assembly of Inter-Parliamentary Union held in Berne, Switzerland, on 16 October 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, delivering the Inaugural Address at 22nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Seminar held in Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi, on 25 November 2011. The Secretary-General, CPA, Dr. William F. Shija and The Secretary-General, Lok Sabha, Shri T.K. Viswanathan are also present on the dais

The President, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, inaugurating the 7th Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament on 'Gender-Sensitive Parliaments' on 3 October 2012 in the Central Hall of Parliament House

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the 7th Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliament on 'Gender-Sensitive Parliaments', Parliament Library Building, New Delhi, 4 October 2012

COMMONWEALTH WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS
INDIA REGION SEMINAR ON
"GENDER JUSTICE AND RESPONSIVE GOVERNANCE"
8-9 मार्च 2013, संसदीय सौध, नई दिल्ली

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians India Region Seminar on 'Gender Justice and Responsive Governance', held in Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi, 8 March 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, attending the 7th Conference of Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians, held in Maldives on 21 December 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, at a function to felicitate the medal winners and other sports persons of London Olympics held in Parliament Library Building on 17 August 2012

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VISITORS TO PARLIAMENT

All persons other than members of the Lok Sabha are regarded as 'visitors', with the exception of the Officers of the House and staff on duty. During sessions of the Lok Sabha, admission of visitors to those portions of the House, which are not reserved for the exclusive use of the members, is regulated in accordance with the orders made by the Speaker. At the time of the sitting of the House, the Chamber is reserved for the exclusive use of members and visitors are not permitted therein. The other portion of the House where visitors may be permitted to go under specified conditions is the Galleries, apart from the Central Hall.

Admission of visitors to various Galleries of the Lok Sabha is regulated in accordance with the rules made in this behalf under the directions of the Speaker. Such admission to the different Galleries is permitted by visitor cards issued for this purpose.

Speaker's Gallery

This Gallery is intended for Presiding Officers of State Legislatures and their spouses and Presidents of national political parties in case they cannot be accommodated in the Distinguished Visitors' Gallery.

Distinguished Visitors' Gallery

This Gallery is intended for spouses of sitting members of Parliament, former members of Parliament, members and Secretaries of State Legislatures, Judges, Vice-Chancellors and high officials of the Government of India and State Governments, men of standing in public life, such as Presidents of national political parties, and distinguished visitors from foreign countries.

Special Gallery: This Gallery is meant for the family members (sons, daughters, father and mother) of members of Parliament.

Diplomatic Gallery: This Gallery is meant for foreign diplomats. Annual cards with photographs are issued to the Heads of Foreign Missions every year.

Public Gallery: This Gallery is meant for the use of the general public. Applications for visitor's cards for this Gallery have to be made on prescribed form. All applications for visitor's cards received from Members and others received in the CPIC are processed as per established norms. Requests for Visitors Cards are normally entertained at least one day previous to the date for which Visitors Cards are required. Children below the age of 10 years are not admitted to any of the Galleries of the Lok Sabha.

Rajya Sabha Gallery

This Gallery is meant for the use of members of the Rajya Sabha who may like to watch the proceedings of the Lok Sabha.

Official Gallery

This Gallery is demarcated for officials of the Government of India and in certain cases for officials of the State Governments, whose presence is required in connection with the business before the House.

Special Box

This is reserved for the family and guests of the President of India, Governors of States, Heads of States, Prime Ministers and Crown Princes of foreign countries, foreign Parliamentary Delegations and other high personages like former Presidents, Chief Justice of India, Chief Ministers of States, etc.

During the Sessions of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the total attendance recorded at different Galleries stood at 1,61,139. **Statement 50** gives session-wise break-up of the number of visitors to the different Galleries during the term of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

During inter-session periods, arrangements are made to take the visitors around the Parliament House. The visitors are taken to the Parliament Building in convenient batches on the authority of a sight-seers permit issued by the Reception Office on the recommendation of members of Parliament and senior officers. A total of 1,31,317 sight-seers visited the Parliament House during inter-session periods of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

The details of visitors who came to see the Parliament Museum during Fifteenth Lok Sabha are as under:—

Sl. No.	Type of Visitors	Number
1.	Foreign Delegates	3,030
2.	Dignitaries	890
3.	General visitors	37,878
4.	Institutional visitors	78,552
5.	Others (staff)	4,450
	Total	1,24,800

Foreign Parliamentary Delegations from Timor-Leste, Oman, Thailand, Uruguay, Vietnam, Estonia, Paraguay, the European Parliament, Mexico, Mongolia, Albania, Austria, Republic of Korea, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, United Kingdom, Bhutan, Bulgaria, Italy, Myanmar, Luxembourg, Mauritius, Trinidad & Tobago, Finland, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Indonesia, Bhutan, United Kingdom, Iceland, Hungary, Pakistan, Iraq, Vietnam, Russian Federation, Iran, Macedonia, Peru, Maldives, Seychelles, Papua New Guinea, Myanmar, Armenia and Bangladesh visited Parliament House during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, as per details mentioned in Statement 51.

STATEMENT 50

Visitors' Passes issued for different Galleries during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha (Session-wise)

Session	Public Gallery	Distinguished Visitors Gallery	Speaker's Gallery	Special Gallery	Rajya Sabha Gallery	Official Gallery	Diplomatic Gallery	Special Box (in groups)	Total (Session-wise)
First	3141	117	81	135	51	233	0	0	3758
Second	9885	112	267	108	54	2829	12	0	13267
Third	9321	86	115	59	7	2197	3	1	11789
Fourth	13625	168	338	141	56	2922	3	0	17253
Fifth	10508	91	216	72	6	2252	2	1	13148
Sixth	2543	38	26	36	1	1063	1	1	3709
Seventh	11034	112	162	36	17	1876	9	1	13247
Eighth	8033	104	157	36	55	2136	13	1	10535
Ninth	3926	63	179	41	52	1986	1	4	6252
Tenth	16285	168	283	77	66	3156	27	4	20066
Eleventh	3933	75	60	31	1	1033	16	1	5150
Twelfth	7989	61	108	24	70	1588	6	4	9850
Thirteenth	11830	159	261	44	52	1992	1	3	14342
Fourteenth	9470	71	164	35	17	1329	11	2	11099
Fifteenth	6215	63	186	30	30	1148	0	2	7674
Total	127738	1488	2603	905	535	27740	105	25	161139
(Percentage of total visitors)	(79.27)	(0.92)	(1.61)	(0.56)	(0.33)	(17.21)	(0.065)	(0.015)	100%

STATEMENT 51

Foreign Parliamentary Delegations/Dignitaries who visited the Parliament House during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Sl. No.	Details of visiting Parliamentary Delegation	Date of visit to the Parliament House
1	2	3
1.	A 9–member Parliamentary Delegation from Timor-Leste led by H.E. Mr. Osorio Florindo, President of the Committee on Poverty Reduction, Rural, Regional Development and Gender Equality; visited India from 6 to 15 September 2009.	09.09.2009
2.	A 10–member Parliamentary Delegation from Oman led by H.E. Dr. Yahya Bin Mahfoodh Bin Salem Al Manthri, Chairperson of State Council in the Sultanate of Oman visited India from 14 to 18 December 2009.	15.12.2009
3.	A 16-member Parliamentary Delegation from Thailand led by H.E. Mr. Chai Chidchob, President of the National Assembly and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Thai Parliament visited India from 18 to 24 December 2009.	21.12.2009
4.	A 9-member Parliamentary Delegation from Uruguay led by H.E. Mr. Roque Arregui, President of the House of Representatives of the Uruguayan Parliament visited India from 10 to 16 January 2010.	11.01.2010
5.	A 12-member Parliamentary Delegation from Vietnam led by H.E. Mr. Nguyen Phu Trong, Chairperson of Vietnam's National Assembly visited India from 23 to 28 February 2010.	24.02.2010
6.	A 7-member Parliamentary Delegation from Croatia led by H.E. Mr. Luka Bebic, President of the Croatian Parliament visited India from 6 to 10 March 2010.	08.03.2010
7.	A 10-member Parliamentary Delegation from Estonia led by H.E. Dr. (Mrs.) Ene Ergma, President of the Riigikogu (Parliament of Estonia) visited India from 3 to 10 April 2010.	05.04.2010
8.	An 8-member Parliamentary Delegation from Paraguay led by H.E. (Mr.) Senator Miguel Carrizosa Galiano, President of the Paraguayan Parliament visited India from 10 to 14 April 2010.	12.04.2010
9.	A 22-member India Delegation of the European Parliament led by Mr. Graham Watson, MEP Chairman of the India Delegation in the European Parliament visited India from 25 to 30 April 2010.	27.04.2010
10.	A 9-member Parliamentary Delegation from Mexico led by H.E. Mr. Carlos Jimenez Macias (Senator), President of the Committee on External Affairs, Asia-Pacific in the Mexican Parliament visited India from 8 to 14 August 2010.	09.08.2010
11.	A 15-member Parliamentary Delegation from Mongolia led by H.E. Mr. Damdingiin Demberel, Chairman (Speaker) of the State Great Hural (Parliament) of Mongolia visited India from 8 to 14 December 2010.	09.12.2010
12.	An 11-member Parliamentary Delegation from Albania led by H.E. Mrs. Josefina Topalli, Speaker of the Albanian Parliament visited India from 18 to 22 December 2010.	20.12.2010

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13.	A 9-member Parliamentary Delegation from Austria led by H.E. Mrs. Barbara Prammer, President of the National Council of the Austrian Parliament visited India from 6 to 11 February 2011.	07.02.2011
14.	A 16-member Parliamentary Delegation from the Republic of Korea led by H.E. Mr. Park Hee Tae, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea visited India from 22 to 26 March 2011.	25.03.2011
15.	A 20-member Parliamentary Delegation from Afghanistan led by H.E. Mr. Abdul Raouf Ibrahimi, President of Wolesi Jirga (Parliament of Afghanistan) visited India from 12 to 15 July 2011.	14.07.2011
16.	A 12-member Parliamentary Delegation from Sri Lanka led by H.E. Mr. Chamal Rajpaksa, Speaker, Parliament of Sri Lanka, visited India from 1 to 5 August 2011.	01.08.2011
17.	On the invitation of Parliament of India, Rt. Hon. John Bercow, Speaker, House of Commons of the United Kingdom, accompanied by his Secretary, Mr. Peter Barratt visited India from 15 to 20 August 2011.	16.08.2011
18.	A 9-member Parliamentary Delegation from Bhutan led by H.E. Mr. Lyonpo Jigme Tshultim, Speaker of the National Assembly of Bhutan visited India from 23 to 26 November 2011.	24.11.2011
19.	A 16-member Parliamentary Delegation from Bulgaria led by H.E. Mrs. Tsetska Tsacheva, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria visited India from 26 to 30 November 2011.	28.11.2011
20.	An 8-member Parliamentary Delegation from Italy led by H.E. Mr. Sandro Gozi, Chairman, Italy-India Parliamentary Friendship Group visited India from 1 to 6 December 2011.	02.12.2011
21.	A 31-member Parliamentary Delegation from Myanmar led by H.E. Thura U Shwe Mann, Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw (Lower House) of Myanmar Parliament visited India from 11 to 17 December 2011.	12.12.2011
22.	A 5-member Parliamentary Delegation from Luxembourg led by H.E. Mr. Laurent Mosar, President of the Chamber of Deputies, CSV, Parliament of Luxembourg visited India from 28 February to 2 March 2012.	01.03.2012
23.	A 6-member Parliamentary Delegation from Mauritius led by H.E. Mr. Rajkeswur Purryag, GCSK, GOSK, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Mauritius visited India from 1 to 6 March 2012.	05/06.03.2012
24.	A 7-member Parliamentary Delegation from Trinidad and Tobago jointly led by H.E. Mr. Wade Mark, Speaker of the House of Representative and H.E. Mr. Timothy Hamel-Smith, President of the Senate of Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago visited India from 15 to 20 March 2012.	15.03.2012
25.	A 04-member Parliamentary Delegation from Finland led by H.E. Mr. Eero Heinaluoma, Speaker of the Parliament of Finland visited India from 23 to 26 April 2012.	24.04.2012

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26.	A 10–member Parliamentary Delegation from Saudi Arabia led by H.E. Dr. Abdullah Bin Mohammed Bin Ibrahim Al Al-Sheikh, Speaker of Majlis Ash Shura (Consultative Council) of Saudi Arabia visited India from 7 to 10 May 2012.	08.05.2012
27.	A 20–member Parliamentary Delegation from South Africa jointly led by H.E. Mr. M.V. Sisulu, Speaker of the National Assembly and H.E. Mr. M.J. Mahalangu, Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces of the Parliament of South Africa visited India from 8 to 14 July 2012.	09.07.2012
28.	A 16–member delegation led by H.E. Dr. Marzuki Alie, President of Indonesia-ASEAN Inter–Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia visited India from 28 July to 02 August 2012.	30.07.2012
29.	A 10–member Parliamentary Delegation from Bhutan led by Hon'ble Lyonpo Namgay Penjore, Chairperson of the National Council of Bhutan visited India from 05 to 10 August 2012.	08.08.2012
30.	An 11–member Parliamentary Delegation from United Kingdom led by Rt. Hon. Sir Alan Haselhurst, MP and Chairman of CPA Executive Committee of the Parliament of United Kingdom visited India from 21 to 26 August 2012.	22.08.2012
31.	A 4–member Parliamentary Delegation from Iceland led by H.E. Ms. Asta R. Johannesdottir, President (Speaker) of Althingi, the Parliament of Iceland visited India from 20 to 27 November 2012.	22.11.2012
32.	An 8–member Parliamentary Delegation from Hungary led by H.E. Dr. Laszlo Kover, Speaker of the Hungarian National Assembly visited India from 24 to 30 November 2012.	27.11.2012
33.	A 14–member Parliamentary Delegation from Pakistan led by H.E. Syed Nayyer Hussain Bokhari, Chairperson of the Senate of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan visited India from 5 to 10 December 2012.	06.12.2012
34.	A 28–member Parliamentary Delegation from Iraq led by H.E. Mr. Osama Abdul–Aziz–Mohamd Al–Nujaefi, President of the Council of Representatives of Iraq visited India from 15 to 20 December 2012.	17.12.2012
35.	An 11–member Parliamentary Delegation from Vietnam led by H.E. Mrs.Nguyen Thi Kim Ngan, Secretary of the Party Central Committee and Vice-Chairman of the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam visited India from 20 to 25 February 2013.	21.02.2013
36.	A 43–member Parliamentary Delegation from Russian Federation led by H.E. Mrs. Valentina I. Matvienko, Chairperson of the Council of Federation, Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation visited India from 25 to 27 February 2013.	26.02.2013
37.	A 46–member Parliamentary Delegation from Iran led by H.E. Dr. Ali Ardeshir Larijani, Speaker of the Islamic Consultative Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Iran visited India from 24 February to 1 March 2013.	27.02.2013
38.	An 11–member Parliamentary Delegation from Macedonia led by H.E. Mr. Trajko Veljanoski, President of the Parliament of the Republic of Macedonia visited India from 4 to 8 March 2013.	05.03.2013

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39.	An 8-member Parliamentary Delegation from Peru led by H.E. Mrs. Lourdes Alcorta Suero, M.P. President of the Peru-India Parliamentary Friendship League visited India from 20 to 24 April 2013.	22.04.2013
40.	A 9–member Parliamentary Delegation from Maldives led by H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid, Speaker of the Peoples' Majlis (Parliament) of Maldives visited India from 4 to 8 May 2013.	06.05.2013
41.	A 4-member Parliamentary Delegation from Seychelles led by H.E. Mr. Andre Pool, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly of Seychelles visited India from 04 to 09 August 2013.	07.08.2013
42.	A 9-member Parliamentary Delegation from Papua New Guinea led by H.E. Mr. Theodore Zurenuoc, Speaker of the Parliament of Papua New Guinea visited India from 26 to 31 August 2013.	27.08.2013
43.	A 25-member Parliamentary Delegation from Myanmar led by His Excellency U Khin Aung Myint, Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw (Upper House) of the Parliament of Myanmar visited India from 2 to 6 December 2013.	05.12.2013
44.	An 18-member Parliamentary Delegation from Armenia led by His Excellency Mr. Hovik Abrahamyan, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia visited India from 4 to 8 December 2013.	06.12.2013
45.	Her Excellency Dr. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, Speaker of the Bangladesh Parliament visited India from 12 to 15 February 2014.	13.02.2014

The President of the United States of America, H.E. Mr. Barack H. Obama, addressing the distinguished gathering in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 8 November 2010. The Vice-President of India, Shri M. Hamid Ansari; the Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh and the Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar are also present on the dais

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with H.E. Mr. Ban Ki Moon, Secretary General of the United Nations, New Delhi, 27 April 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the visiting Parliamentary Delegation from Oman, New Delhi, 15 December 2009

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Chai Chidchab, President of the National Assembly and Speaker of the House of Representatives of Thailand, New Delhi, 21 December 2009

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Nguyen Phu Trong, Chairman of the National Assembly of Vietnam, New Delhi, 24 February 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar with a Parliamentary Delegation from Croatia led by H.E. Mr. Luka Bebic, President of the Croatian Parliament, New Delhi, 8 March 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with H.E. Dr. (Mrs.) Ene Ergma, the President of the Riigikogu, Parliament of Estonia, New Delhi, 5 April 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with President of the Paraguayan Senate, H.E. Senator Miguel Carrizosa Galiano, New Delhi, 12 April 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Delegation from the European Parliament, New Delhi, 26 April 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the Mangolian Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Damdingiin Demberel, Chairman of the State Great Hall, Parliament of Mangolia, New Delhi, 9 December 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation from Albania led by H.E. Mrs. Josefina Topalli, Speaker of the Albanian Parliament, New Delhi, 20 December 2010

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with Rt. Honourable Mr. John Bercow, the Speaker of the House of Commons, London, 18 January 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the Austrian Parliamentary Delegation
led by H.E. Mrs. Barbara Prammer, President of the National Council of the
Republic of Austria, New Delhi, 7 February 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the Korean Parliamentary Delegation
led by H.E. Mr. Park Hee-Tae, Speaker of the National Assembly of the
Republic of Korea, New Delhi, 25 March 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with Rt. Hon'ble H.F. Chimunthu Banda,
Speaker of the National Assembly of the Malawi, New Delhi, 4 May 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with H.E. Mr. Milan Stech, the President
of the Senate of the Czech Republic, New Delhi, 10 May 2011

Delegates of the Fifth Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians visiting the Parliament Museum on 9 July 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the Afghan Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Abdul Raouf Ibrahimi, President of the National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, New Delhi, 14 July 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the President of Iran,
Dr. Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, Tehran, 5 November 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, and Speaker of the National Assembly of Bhutan,
Hon'ble Mr. Lyonpo Jigme Tshultim signing a Memorandum of Understanding for
Parliamentary Cooperation, New Delhi, 24 November 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mrs. Tsetka Tsacheva, President of the National Assembly of Bulgaria, New Delhi, 28 November 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the Italian Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Sandro Gozi, Chairman of Italy-India Parliamentary Friendship Group, New Delhi, 2 December 2011

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation from Luxembourg led by H.E. Mr. Laurent Mosar, President of the Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of Luxembourg, New Delhi, 28 February 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation from Mauritius led by Hon'ble Rajkeswur Purryag, Speaker of the National Assembly of Mauritius, New Delhi, 5 March 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation from Trinidad and Tobago, Jointly led by H.E. Timothy Hamel-Smith, President of the Senate and H.E. Mr. Mark Wade, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago, New Delhi, 15 March 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation led by Dr. Abdullah Bin Mohammed Bin Ibrahim-Al-Sheikh, Speaker of the Majlis Ash Shura of Parliament of Saudi Arabia, New Delhi, 8 May 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. M.V. Sisulu, Speaker of the National Assembly of South Africa, New Delhi, 9 July 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with *Asean* Inter-Parliamentary Assembly Delegation led by H.E. Dr. Marzuke Alie, President of AIPA and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia, New Delhi, 30 July 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation from Iceland led by H.E. Ms. Asta R. Johannesdottir, President of Althingi, the Parliament of Iceland, New Delhi, 20 November 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation from Zanzibar, New Delhi, 12 December 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Osama Abdul-Aziz-Mohamad Al-Nuzaefi, President of the Council of Representatives, Parliament of Iraq, New Delhi, 17 December 2012

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the President of the Republic of Mauritius H.E. Mr. Rajkeswur Purryag, New Delhi, 4 January 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the Iranian Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Ali Ardeshir Larijani, Speaker of the Islamic Consultative Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Iran, New Delhi, 27 February 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with the Macedonian Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Trajko Veljanoski, President of the Parliament of the Republic of Macedonia, New Delhi, 5 March 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation from Peru,
led by President of the Peru-India Parliamentary Friendship League,
H.E. Mrs. Lourdes Alcorta Suero, New Delhi, 23 April 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation
led by H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid, Speaker of Peoples Majlis (Parliament) of
Maldives, New Delhi, 6 May 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Andre Pool, Deputy Speaker of National Assembly of Seychelles, New Delhi, 8 August 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with a Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Mr. Theodore Zurenuoc, Speaker of Parliament of Papua New Guinea, New Delhi, 27 August 2013

The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, with H.E.U. Khin Aung Myint, Speaker of Amytha Hluttaw (Upper House) of the Parliament of Myanmar, New Delhi, 5 December 2013

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ORIENTATION AND TRAINING IN PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES: BUREAU OF PARLIAMENTARY STUDIES AND TRAINING

The Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training (BPST) was set up on 1 January 1976 as an integral part of the Lok Sabha Secretariat with a view to provide institutionalized opportunities for systematic training, orientation and problem- and practice-oriented studies in various disciplines relating to parliamentary institutions to all stakeholders of democracy, including legislators, policy-makers, administrators, media persons, and various Government functionaries at different levels.

The Bureau conducts Orientation programmes for newly-elected members of Parliament and State Legislatures to provide them opportunities to discuss various aspects of parliamentary processes and procedures and familiarize them more closely with the operational mechanics of parliamentary institutions. During the tenure of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Bureau organised one Orientation Programme for newly-elected members of Lok Sabha and nine programmes for members of the Legislative Assemblies of Arunachal Pradesh (twice), Bihar, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram (twice) and Puducherry.

The Bureau has been organising a series of Lectures by experts on subjects of topical interest for the benefit of members of Parliament since August 2005. The main objective of this Lecture Series is to help the members gain valuable insights into topics of contemporary relevance. Experts from diverse fields, including from various international bodies, are invited to share their views with the elected representatives under the 'Lecture Series'. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, seven Lectures were organized.

The Bureau also coordinates in the organization of the Prof. Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Parliamentary Lecture which was instituted in 2008. The Inaugural Lecture was delivered by Nobel Laureate, Prof. Amartya Sen, on "*Demands of Social Justice"* on 11 August 2008 in the Central Hall of Parliament House. The Second Lecture was delivered by Nobel Laureate and Founder/Managing Director of the *Grameen Bank* of Bangladesh, Professor Muhammad Yunus, on 9 December 2009 on the theme "*Social Business: A Step Toward Creating a New Social and Economic Order".* Professor Jagdish Bhagwati, University Professor of Economics and Law at Columbia University and Senior Fellow in International Economics at the Council on Foreign Relations, USA, delivered the Third Lecture on the theme "*Indian Reforms: Yesterday and Today"* on 2 December 2010. The Fourth Lecture was delivered by the then Prime Minister of Bhutan, H.E. Lyonchhen Jigmi Y. Thinley, on "*Gross National Happiness: A Holistic Paradigm for Sustainable Well-being*" on 20 December 2011.

Round Table Discussions are organized by the BPST on issues of parliamentary relevance in which eminent persons and stakeholders from different fields share their views and experiences.

Besides, Hindi Classes for non-Hindi Speaking Members of Parliament are also organized from time to time. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, three such programmes were organized.

The Bureau also arranged periodic computer training sessions for the benefit of MPs and their staff.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, one Orientation Programme was conducted for Media Persons accredited to the Press Galleries of Parliament and another one for Journalists/Media Persons of the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly at Meghalaya. One Familiarization Programme in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures and one Training Programme for Media persons from Maharashtra were also organized.

The BPST also conducted over 335 Programmes, including Appreciation Courses, Attachment Programmes, Training Courses, Study Visits, etc. covering Probationers of various All-India and Central Services, Officers of the Government of India and Officers of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats which were attended by 10045 participants during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. Computer training programmes were also organised for officers and staff of the Secretariat from time to time during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha which benefited 497 officials.

Every year, the Bureau organises two International Training Programmes, *viz.* the Parliamentary Internship Programme for Foreign Parliamentary Officials and the International Training Programme in Legislative Drafting for Foreign Parliamentary/Government Officials under the Special Commonwealth African Assistance Plan (SCAAP) and the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) Programme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

The Parliamentary Internship Programme, which is of four weeks duration, is designed to acquaint the participants with the environment, culture, traditions and working of the parliamentary institutions in India and provides opportunities to the participants to exchange ideas and views in the context of their own experiences in their Legislatures. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, five Parliamentary Internship Programmes were conducted and 245 participants from as many as 63 countries attended them.

The Training Programme in Legislative Drafting, which is also of four weeks duration, is designed to equip the participants with the basic concepts, skills and techniques required for drafting legislation so that they can render assistance to the legislators when called upon to do so. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, five Training Programmes in Legislative Drafting were conducted and 249 participants from 65 countries attended them.

Apart from this, under an initative taken by the Speaker of Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, the Bureau has started a Special Training Programme in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Parliamentary Officials from around the world in foreign languages. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, two such Programmes were organized, *i.e.*, Training Programme for Arabic-speaking countries where 18 participants from eight countries attended, and Training Programme for Spanish-speaking countries where 11 participants from three countries attended.

Besides, four special Attachment Programmes for Foreign Parliamentary Officials were organized for Myanmar and Afghanistan on the specific request of the Ministry of External Affairs during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha and 108 participants attended these programmes.

Under another initiative taken by the Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar, the Bureau organized Call-on Meetings with the Hon'ble Speaker by various stakeholders of democracy. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, six such Call-on Meetings were organized. The Bureau also organized Study Visits to Delhi by students from remote/far flung areas of the country on a direction from the Speaker, Lok Sabha. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, three such visits by groups of children from Lakshadweep, Bihar and Manipur were organized.

A number of foreign dignitaries, including Presiding Officers, Ministers, Parliamentarians and senior officers attended programmes at the Bureau during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha to gain an insight into the functioning of the Indian parliamentary and political system. Two Special Programmes were organized for Members of the Myanmar Parliament and one Special Programme for Members of the Senate of Afghanistan. Some of the dignitaries who came to the Bureau for Study Visits during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are: a Delegation of Members of Parliament from African Countries; a Delegation of Members of the National Assembly of Bhutan led by the Hon'ble Speaker; the Hon'ble Speaker of the House of Representatives of Malaysia; Members of the National Council of Bhutan, led by the Hon'ble Chairman; Members of the House of Representatives, House of Federation, Ministry of Federal Affairs, Civil Service University and from the Regional States of Ethiopia; Delegation of the Standing Committee on Office of Profit from the Parliament of Ghana; Delegation of the General National Congress from Libya; Delegation of the Standing Committee of Chairpersons of the Gauteng Provincial Legislature of the Republic of South Africa; Parliamentary Delegation from Iraq; Delegation of the South Sudan National Legislative Assembly; Delegation of the House of Federation, Ethiopia; Delegation of the House of Representatives of Zanzibar, Tanzania; Hon'ble Speaker of the Myanmar Parliament; a Delegation of the Women's Parliamentary Caucus from Sudan; Delegation of Women Members from the Parliament of Afghanistan; Delegation of Swedish Parliamentarians; Delegation of Women Parliamentarians from Nepal; Parliamentary Delegation from the National Assembly of Malawi led by the Hon'ble Speaker; Young Parliamentarians from Africa; Delegation from the Australian Parliament; Delegation of the Parliament of Uganda; Delegation of Women Parliamentarians from the National Assembly of Nigeria; Delegation of Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the National Assembly of Nigeria; the Secretary-General of the House of Representatives of Uruguay; Delegation of the Namibian Parliament; Delegation of Parliamentarians from Afghanistan; Delegation from The Southern Nations, Nationalities, and People's Region (SNNPRS), a regional State of Ethiopia led by the Hon'ble Speaker; Delegation from the South African Parliament, led by the Hon'ble Speaker; Delegation from the House of Representatives of Zanzibar, Tanzania; Delegation of the Parliamentary Committee on External Affairs, Defence and Security of the Parliament of Namibia; Delegation of Parliamentarians and Members of the Independent Electoral Commission of Botswana; Delegation of the Public Accounts Committee of the Parliament of Zambia; Delegation of

Public Accounts Committee of Parliament of Mauritius; Sir Colin Shepherd, Former Chairman of the CPA Executive Committee, etc.

One hundred and twenty-three officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat were sent for 29 different International Training Programmes abroad during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha. The Bureau processed and coordinated all required formalities in respect of these Training Programmes.

The Bureau also processed/coordinated training of officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at different institutions in India. Two hundred and ninety-five officers were nominated for 33 different training programmes at various institutions during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha.

Besides, Training Programme in Legislative Drafting for Officers of the Government of India, State Governments and State Legislature Secretariats was also organized during 14-24 January 2013 where 24 participants attended.

The Lok Sabha Internship Programme was launched in January 2008 with the objective of providing an opportunity to young men and women with outstanding academic and extracurricular achievements to acquaint themselves with the working of parliamentary democracy and democratic institutions in general and specifically about the Indian parliamentary system. During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, three such Programmes were conducted in 2009, 2010 and 2011 respectively.

Study Visits, Call-on Meetings and Attachment Programmes were arranged by the Bureau for students from colleges, schools and other institutions so as to enable them to have a glimpse of the working of Parliament. During the period of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Bureau organized 406 such programmes comprising 17897 participants.

A statement showing details of various Programmes and Courses organized by the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training during the period of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha is given below.

STATEMENT

Details of Orientation Programmes, Appreciation Courses, Study Visits/Attachment Programmes, International Training Programmes, Computer Training Programmes, etc. organized by the Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

(Statement period: 27/05/2009 to 30/04/2014)

Sl. No.	Programme	Date of Commencement	Date of Conclusion	No. of Participants
1	2	3	4	5
I.	**ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES/STUDY VISIT FOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT/STATE LEGISLATURES**			
1.	Orientation Programme for newly elected Members of Mizoram Legislative Assembly	03/03/2014	05/03/2014	11
2.	Orientation Programme for Newly Elected Members of Delhi Vidhan Sabha	30/01/2014	31/01/2014	42
3.	Orientation Programme for Newly Elected Members of Meghalaya Legislative Assembly	29/04/2013	01/05/2013	40
4.	Orientation Programme for Newly Elected Members of Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha	26/02/2013	28/02/2013	24
5.	Orientation Programme for Members of Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly	09/02/2012	10/02/2012	25
6.	Orientation Programme for Members of Bihar Vidhan Parishad and Bihar Vidhan Sabha	26/09/2011	27/09/2011	300

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7.	Orientation Programme for Members of Puducherry Legislative Assembly	05/09/2011	06/09/2011	28
8.	Study Visit by Members of Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha	25/08/2010	27/08/2010	19
9.	Orientation Programme for New Members of Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly	16/12/2009	18/12/2009	23
10.	Orientation Programme for Newly Elected Members of Mizoram Legislative Assembly	25/11/2009	27/11/2009	22
11.	Orientation Programme for Newly Elected Members of Fifteenth Lok Sabha	06/07/2009	11/07/2009	
II.	**HINDI CLASSES FOR NON-HINDI-SPEAKING MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**			
1.	Hindi Training Classes for non-Hindi Speaking Members of Parliament	10/12/2012	20/12/2012	25
2.	Hindi Training Classes for non-Hindi Speaking Members of Parliament	07/03/2011	25/03/2011	16
3.	Hindi Training Classes for non-Hindi Speaking Members of Parliament	24/11/2010	13/12/2010	15
III.	**ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES FOR THE MEDIA PERSONS**			
A.	**Media Persons Accredited to the Press Gallery of Parliament**			
1.	Familiarization Programme for Media persons covering the Proceedings of Parliament	30/08/2012	31/08/2012	140
B.	**Media Persons Accredited to State Assemblies**			
1.	Familiarization Programme in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Media persons from Maharashtra	13/01/2014	15/01/2014	22
2.	Training Programme for Media Persons from Maharashtra	29/07/2013	30/07/2013	20
3.	Orientation Programme for Journalists/Media Persons covering the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly at Shillong	04/07/2013	05/07/2013	51
IV.	**COMPUTER TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR OFFICERS/ STAFF OF LOK SABHA SECRETARIAT/STAFF OF MPs**			
1.	Training Programme on Power Point Presentation for Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	02/04/2014	04/04/2014	22

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2.	Training Programme on Power Point Presentation for Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	15/07/2013	17/07/2013	26
3.	Training Programme in Computer Applications for Officers/staff working in Parliamentary Committees	03/06/2013	04/06/2013	32
4.	Training Programme for Employees of the Lok Sabha Secretariat in the use of File Tracking System	29/11/2012	30/11/2012	62
5.	Computer Training Programme for officials of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	25/10/2012	26/10/2012	57
6.	Computer Training Programme for officials of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	08/10/2012	12/10/2012	157
7.	Training in usage of Web SMS Applications for users in Lok Sabha Secretariat	07/09/2012	07/09/2012	27
8.	Training Programme on Power Point Presentation for Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	30/07/2012	01/08/2012	76
9.	Customized Training Programme on 'Online Filing of TDS' for Officers of B&P Branch and P&AO	03/02/2011	03/02/2011	18
10.	Training Programme on Power Point Presentation for Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	07/07/2010	09/07/2010	20
V.	**APPRECIATION COURSES FOR PROBATIONERS OF ALL INDIA AND CENTRAL SERVICES/OFFICERS OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**			
1.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of Indian Defence Estates Service and Officers of the Competition Commission of India	22/04/2014	25/04/2014	24
2.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Cost Accounts Service	26/03/2014	28/03/2014	8
3.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Senior Officers of the Ministry of Agriculture	12/03/2014	14/03/2014	50
4.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Senior Officers of the Ministry of Agriculture	03/03/2014	05/03/2014	51
5.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Civil Service, Indian Defence Accounts Service, Indian P&T Accounts Service and Indian Cost Accounts Service	26/02/2014	28/02/2014	48
6.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Accounts Service	26/02/2014	28/02/2014	29

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7.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Service of Mechanical Engineers	26/02/2014	28/02/2014	55
8.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for IAS Officer Trainees of 2013 Batch	17/02/2014	21/02/2014	180
9.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Group 'A' Probationers of the Indian Information Service	12/02/2014	14/02/2014	29
10.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for 2011 batch of Probationers of the Indian Railways Service of Electrical Engineers	03/02/2014	06/02/2014	49
11.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for 2011 batch of Probationers of the Indian Railways Signal Engineering Service	20/01/2014	22/01/2014	39
12.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Personnel Service	06/01/2014	08/01/2014	20
13.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for IES Officer Trainees of 2013 Batch	31/12/2013	03/01/2014	30
14.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Officers of the Indian Statistical Service	31/12/2013	03/01/2014	21
15.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Police Service	26/12/2013	30/12/2013	140
16.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Sr. Accounts/Audit Officers and Audit/ Accounts Officers from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	16/12/2013	18/12/2013	49
17.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Assistant Security Commissioners (Probationers) of the Indian Railway Protection Force	16/12/2013	18/12/2013	5
18.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of Indian Revenue Service and Officers from Bhutan	02/12/2013	05/12/2013	82
19.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Media persons from Maharashtra	22/10/2013	23/10/2013	17
20.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Trade Service	26/08/2013	29/08/2013	19
21.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Stores Service	05/08/2013	07/08/2013	25

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22.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Traffic Service	05/08/2013	07/08/2013	60
23.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Defence Estate Service	05/08/2013	07/08/2013	8
24.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Forest Service	05/08/2013	07/08/2013	80
25.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Officers of the Confederation of Indian Industry	30/07/2013	31/07/2013	26
26.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Service of Mechanical & Electrical Engineering (IRSME)	22/07/2013	24/07/2013	36
27.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Information Service	15/07/2013	17/07/2013	91
28.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Officers of the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	08/07/2013	10/07/2013	49
29.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Ordnance Factory Service	27/05/2013	29/05/2013	29
30.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Service of Engineers	13/05/2013	15/05/2013	62
31.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Executives of the GAIL (India) Ltd.	06/05/2013	07/05/2013	24
32.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Administrative Service and the Royal Bhutan Civil Service	22/04/2013	26/04/2013	174
33.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Information Service	08/04/2013	10/04/2013	13
34.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Defence Estates Service	08/04/2013	10/04/2013	25
35.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Accounts Service	02/04/2013	04/04/2013	21

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36.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Revenue Service	18/03/2013	22/03/2013	105
37.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Corporate Law Service	11/03/2013	13/03/2013	24
38.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Central Accounts and Finance Services	11/03/2013	13/03/2013	53
39.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Audit and Accounts Service	25/02/2013	27/02/2013	25
40.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Cost Accounts Service	25/02/2013	27/02/2013	8
41.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Revenue Service and Custom Officers from Bhutan	12/02/2013	12/05/2013	82
42.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Statistical Service	30/01/2013	01/02/2013	29
43.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Service of Electrical Engineers	30/01/2013	01/02/2013	42
44.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Personnel Service	17/12/2012	19/12/2012	20
45.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Police Service	12/12/2012	14/12/2012	126
46.	Appreciation Course for Sr. Accounts/Audit Officers and Audit/Accounts Officers from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	10/12/2012	14/12/2012	42
47.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the 63rd Batch of the Indian Revenue Service (C&CE) Probationers and Officers of the Royal Bhutan Government	03/12/2012	06/12/2012	110
48.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Foreign Service	26/11/2012	29/11/2012	34
49.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers	26/09/2012	28/09/2012	44

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50.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Officer Trainees of Delhi Andaman and Nicobar Police Service (DANIPS)	05/09/2012	06/09/2012	27
51.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Professors/Lecturers of Universities/ Colleges	22/08/2012	24/08/2012	75
52.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Forest Service and Trainee Officers from Bhutan	06/08/2012	09/08/2012	71
53.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Protection Force	01/08/2012	03/08/2012	11
54.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Stores Service	01/08/2012	03/08/2012	26
55.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Statistical Service	01/08/2012	03/08/2012	38
56.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Information Service	01/08/2012	03/08/2012	7
57.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Sr. Accounts/Audit Officers and Audit/ Accounts Officers from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	23/07/2012	27/07/2012	48
58.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Traffic Service	09/07/2012	11/07/2012	47
59.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for IRSE Probationers and IRSME Probationers	14/05/2012	16/05/2012	57
60.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Administrative Service and the Royal Bhutan Civil Service	23/04/2012	27/04/2012	160
61.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Corporate Law Service	16/04/2012	18/04/2012	17
62.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Ordnance Factories Service	09/04/2012	11/04/2012	42
63.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Postal Service	21/03/2012	23/03/2012	23

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64.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Audit and Accounts Service	19/03/2012	21/03/2012	23
65.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of various Central Accounts Services	19/03/2012	21/03/2012	47
66.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Accounts Service	14/03/2012	16/03/2012	37
67.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the 65th Batch of the Indian Revenue Service	13/03/2012	16/03/2012	130
68.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Personnel Service	27/02/2012	29/02/2012	26
69.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Traffic Service	30/01/2012	01/02/2012	37
70.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Police Service	02/01/2012	05/01/2012	125
71.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Executives of GAIL (India) Ltd.	21/12/2011	22/12/2011	35
72.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Sr. Accounts/Audit Officers and Audit/ Accounts Officers from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	19/12/2011	23/12/2011	49
73.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the 2010 and 2011 Batches of the Indian Economic Service Officer Trainees	12/12/2011	16/12/2011	27
74.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Foreign Service	28/11/2011	01/12/2011	17
75.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Revenue Service	14/11/2011	18/11/2011	171
76.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers	17/10/2011	19/10/2011	38
77.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Service of Mechanical Engineers	07/09/2011	09/09/2011	12

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78.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Information Service	29/08/2011	01/09/2011	14
79.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Forest Service	29/08/2011	02/09/2011	76
80.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Executives of GAIL (India) Ltd.	04/08/2011	05/08/2011	16
81.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Stores Service	25/07/2011	27/07/2011	22
82.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of Central Accounts and Finance Services	12/07/2011	15/07/2011	30
83.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Sr. Accounts/Audit Officers and Audit/ Accounts Officers from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	04/07/2011	08/07/2011	51
84.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Administrative Service and the Royal Bhutan Civil Service	25/04/2011	29/04/2011	136
85.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Ordnance Factories Service	18/04/2011	21/04/2011	70
86.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the IRPF	21/03/2011	23/03/2011	5
87.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Revenue Service	01/03/2011	04/03/2011	151
88.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Officer Trainees of the Indian Audit and Accounts Service (19) and Probationers of the Indian Statistical Service (23)	21/02/2011	25/02/2011	42
89.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Service of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering	17/02/2011	18/02/2011	14
90.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Corporate Law Service	19/01/2011	21/01/2011	10
91.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railway Accounts Service, Indian Railway Personnel Service and Indian Railway Transport Management Service	04/01/2011	07/01/2011	50

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92.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Engineering Service (27-29 December 2010)	27/12/2010	29/12/2010	54
93.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Police Service	20/12/2010	23/12/2010	112
94.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Accounts/Audit Officers from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	20/12/2010	23/12/2010	48
95.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Foreign Service	06/12/2010	09/12/2010	23
96.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Service of Electrical Engineering	10/11/2010	12/11/2010	24
97.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Service of Electrical Engineering	18/10/2010	20/10/2010	30
98.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Revenue Service and Customs Officers of the Royal Government of Bhutan	05/10/2010	08/10/2010	140
99.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of the Indian Railways Stores Service	22/09/2010	24/09/2010	17
100.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Professors/Lecturers of Universities/ Colleges	18/08/2010	20/08/2010	85
101.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Senior Audit/Accounts Officers from the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India	26/07/2010	29/07/2010	52
102.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers from the Indian Forest Service	26/07/2010	29/07/2010	84
103.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers from the Indian Postal Service and Indian Statistical Service	10/05/2010	14/05/2010	22
104.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Probationers of Indian Administrative Service, 2009 Batch and Royal Bhutan Civil Service	12/04/2010	16/04/2010	121
105.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers from the Indian Railways Institute of Traffic Management	05/04/2010	07/04/2010	20

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106.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineering and Indian Ordnance Factory Service	15/03/2010	19/03/2010	72
107.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of Indian Revenue Service	08/03/2010	12/03/2010	135
108.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of Indian Audit and Accounts Service and Central Accounts and Finance	22/02/2010	26/02/2010	31
109.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Probationers of Indian Railway Service of Electrical Engineering	11/01/2010	11/01/2010	21
110.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Probationers of Indian Police Service (IPS)	21/12/2009	23/12/2009	89
111.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Senior Audit/Accounts Officers of the Office of Comptroller and Auditor-General of India, Indian Railways Account Service and Indian Institute of Signal Engineering	14/12/2009	18/12/2009	62
112.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Probationers of Indian Foreign Service (IFS)	01/12/2009	04/12/2009	19
113.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Probationers of Indian Revenue Service and Indian Railway Stores Service	31/08/2009	04/09/2009	103
114.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Probationers of Indian Ordnance Factories Service and Indian Railway Personnel Service	03/08/2009	06/08/2009	30
115.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Probationers of Indian Forest Service	20/07/2009	24/07/2009	29
116.	Appreciation Course in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for the Senior Accounts/Audit Officers and Accounts/Audit Officers of the Office of the C&AG of India	13/07/2009	17/07/2009	52
VI.	**TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR OFFICIALS OF PARLIAMENT AND STATE LEGISLATURE SECRETARIATS**			
1.	Attachment Programme for Officers of Odisha Legislative Assembly Secretariat	22/04/2014	22/04/2014	7

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2.	Attachment Programme for Officers of Karnataka Legislative Assembly Secretariat	22/04/2014	22/04/2014	5
3.	Attachment Programme in Digitization for Officers of Karnataka Legislative Assembly Secretariat	21/04/2014	22/04/2014	4
4.	Training Course for officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats dealing with Questions and Legislative and Budgetary Processes	21/04/2014	25/04/2014	39
5.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Officers of Parliament Security Service	15/04/2014	17/04/2014	40
6.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Officers of Parliament Security Service	01/04/2014	03/04/2014	41
7.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Officers of Parliament Security Service	18/03/2014	20/03/2014	39
8.	Training Course for Officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats working in Committees	28/10/2013	01/11/2013	18
9.	Training Programme for the Officials of Lok Sabha Secretariat intending to appear in the Departmental Examination for the post of Junior Clerk	30/09/2013	04/10/2013	24
10.	Training Course for Reporters working in Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	23/09/2013	27/09/2013	27
11.	Training Course in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for newly recruited Security Assistants of Parliamentary Security Service	16/09/2013	19/09/2013	20
12.	Management Development Programme for Middle Level officers of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	19/08/2013	23/08/2013	28
13.	Training Programme in Archaeological Structures: Heritage and Conservation	08/07/2013	12/07/2013	76
14.	Training Course for Hindi Assistants, Translators and Editors of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	01/07/2013	05/07/2013	17
15.	Study Visit by Senior Officers of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly Secretariat	24/06/2013	25/06/2013	5
16.	Training Course for security officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	03/06/2013	07/06/2013	20
17.	Training Course for officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats dealing with Questions and Legislative and Budgetary Processes	20/05/2013	24/05/2013	38

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18.	Training Course for officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats providing Research, Reference, Information and Library Services	01/04/2013	05/04/2013	22
19.	Study Visit by the Research Sub-Committee of the Odisha Legislative Assembly	29/01/2013	29/01/2013	6
20.	Training Programme in Legislative Drafting for officers of State Governments and State Legislature Secretariats	14/01/2013	24/01/2013	20
21.	Training Programme for Employees of the Lok Sabha Secretariat appearing for the Competitive Departmental Examination for filling up vacancies in the grade of Junior Clerk	07/11/2012	09/11/2012	25
22.	Training Course for Officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats working in Committees	05/11/2012	09/11/2012	32
23.	Training Programme in “Noting, Drafting and Office Procedure” for officials of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	17/10/2012	18/10/2012	27
24.	Training Programme for Employees of the Lok Sabha Secretariat appearing for the Competitive Departmental Examination for filling up vacancies in the grade of Junior Library Attendant	08/10/2012	12/10/2012	45
25.	Training Course for Reporters working in Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	24/09/2012	28/09/2012	37
26.	Training Programme in “Noting, Drafting and Office Procedure” for officials of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	19/09/2012	21/09/2012	47
27.	Training Programme for Newly Recruited Executive Officers and Research Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat	10/09/2012	19/10/2012	21
28.	Training Programme for Research staff of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly	01/08/2012	09/08/2012	6
29.	Workshop on “Right to Information”	31/07/2012	31/07/2012	130
30.	Training Course for Hindi Assistants, Translators and Editors of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	02/07/2012	06/07/2012	36
31.	Training Course for security officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	04/06/2012	08/06/2012	31
32.	Training Programme for officials of the Lok Sabha Secretariat appearing for the Departmental Examination for the post of Junior Clerk in the Secretariat	28/05/2012	05/06/2012	80
33.	Training Course for officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats dealing with Questions and Legislative and Budgetary Processes	21/05/2012	25/05/2012	27

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34.	Training Course for security officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	31/10/2011	04/11/2011	45
35.	Training Course for Reporters working in Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	26/09/2011	30/09/2011	43
36.	Management Development Programme for Middle Level officers of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	08/08/2011	12/08/2011	37
37.	Training Course for officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats dealing with Questions and Legislative and Budgetary Processes	18/07/2011	22/07/2011	35
38.	Training Course for officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats providing Research, Reference, Information and Library Services	23/05/2011	27/05/2011	24
39.	Training Classes for departmental candidates taking the recruitment examination for the post of Senior Clerk in the Lok Sabha Secretariat	05/04/2011	08/04/2011	65
40.	Study Visit by Officers of the Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat	20/10/2010	21/10/2010	2
41.	Training Programme for Reporters working in Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	18/10/2010	22/10/2010	45
42.	Study Visit by Officers from the Karnataka Legislative Assembly Secretariat	28/09/2010	29/09/2010	6
43.	Training Programme on 'Noting, Drafting and Office Procedure' for Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat	14/09/2010	17/09/2010	50
44.	Management Development Programme for Middle Level Officers of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	09/08/2010	13/08/2010	47
45.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Officers of the Indian Economic Service	04/05/2010	07/05/2010	15
46.	Training Programme for Officers/Assistants of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats working in Committees	03/05/2010	07/05/2010	53
47.	Training Programme for Executives of Gas Authority of India Ltd. (GAIL) and Pawan Hans Helicopters Ltd.	29/04/2010	30/04/2010	15
48.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Executives of the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)	19/04/2010	20/04/2010	25
49.	Training Programme for Officers/Assistants of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats dealing with Questions and Legislative and Budgetary Processes	29/03/2010	01/04/2010	26

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50.	Training Programme for Direct Recruit Assistants of Central Secretariat Service undergoing training at ISTM, New Delhi	04/02/2010	05/02/2010	49
51.	Training Programme for Librarians working in Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislatures Secretariats	16/11/2009	20/11/2009	16
52.	Training Programme for Hindi Assistants/Translators and Editors of Parliament and State Legislatures	26/10/2009	30/10/2009	21
53.	Training Programme for Direct Recruit Assistants undergoing training at ISTM, New Delhi	26/08/2009	28/08/2009	26
54.	Training Programme for Officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats providing Research, Reference and Information Service	24/08/2009	28/08/2009	20
55.	Training Programme for Watch & Ward Officials of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	17/08/2009	21/08/2009	23
56.	Training Programme for Reporters of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and State Legislature Secretariats	01/06/2009	05/06/2009	29
VII.	**STUDY VISITS/ATTACHMENT PROGRAMMES FOR FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS**			
1.	Study Visit by Senior Citizens from Mauritius	09/04/2014	09/04/2014	15
2.	Visit by Sir Colin Shepherd, Former Chairman of the CPA Executive Committee	13/03/2014	13/03/2014	2
3.	Study visit by a Delegation of Members of Parliament from African Countries	12/03/2014	12/03/2014	9
4.	Study Visit by Hindi Teachers from Ukraine	19/02/2014	19/02/2014	6
5.	Study Visit by participants from various countries attending a Capacity Building Programme at the Research and Information System (RIS) for Developing Countries, New Delhi	18/02/2014	18/02/2014	28
6.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Committee on Defence of the Parliament of Tanzania	10/02/2014	12/02/2014	12
7.	Study Visit by Overseas Professionals undergoing training at the Human Settlement Management Institute, New Delhi	06/02/2014	06/02/2014	26
8.	Study Visit by Members of the Financial Oversight Committees of the Parliament of Bangladesh	20/01/2014	31/01/2014	10
9.	Study Visit by Editors/Sr. Journalists from West Asian Countries	15/01/2014	15/01/2014	22
10.	Study Visit by a delegation of Hon'ble Members of the National Assembly of Bhutan	13/01/2014	16/01/2014	13

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11.	Study Visit by Senior Officers of the Parliament of Myanmar	02/01/2014	03/01/2014	8
12.	Study Visit by officers of the Government of Vietnam undergoing training at the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi	24/12/2013	24/12/2013	14
13.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the "Afghanistan 1400 Network"	23/12/2013	23/12/2013	8
14.	Study Visit by Members of the Institute of Parliamentary Studies, Parliament of Uganda	16/12/2013	19/12/2013	2
15.	Study Visit by students from the Singapore Management University	13/12/2013	13/12/2013	31
16.	Study Visit by a Chinese Delegation from Shanghai Administration Institute on an attachment with the IIPA, New Delhi	13/12/2013	13/12/2013	6
17.	Study Visit by Officers from European Parliament	02/12/2013	06/12/2013	4
18.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Editors and Senior Journalists from Bhutan	19/11/2013	19/11/2013	9
19.	Study Visit by Members of the Standing Committee on Economic & Financial Affairs of the Parliament of Sudan	18/11/2013	22/11/2013	21
20.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training (CPST), Parliament of Kenya	05/11/2013	08/11/2013	8
21.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Editors/Sr. Journalists from Bangladesh	16/09/2013	16/09/2013	13
22.	Attachment Programme for Security Officials from Sri Lankan Parliament	04/09/2013	06/09/2013	3
23.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Members of Public Accounts Committee of Parliament of Mauritius	26/08/2013	30/08/2013	11
24.	Study Visit by University Students from Japan	13/08/2013	13/08/2013	8
25.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Institute of Legislative Studies of the National Assembly Standing Committee of Vietnam	08/08/2013	08/08/2013	6
26.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the National Assembly of Seychelles	07/08/2013	07/08/2013	5
27.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Secretariat of the House of Representatives of the Kingdom of Thailand	06/08/2013	06/08/2013	28
28.	Study Visit by the Hon'ble Speaker of the House of Representatives of Malaysia and parliamentary officials	02/08/2013	02/08/2013	8

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29.	Study Visit by Members of the National Council of Bhutan	29/07/2013	31/07/2013	16
30.	Study Visit by Editors/Sr. Journalists from Maldives	25/06/2013	25/06/2013	7
31.	Study Visit by members of House of Representatives, House of Federation, Ministry of Federal Affairs, Civil Service University and from the Regional States of Ethiopia	11/06/2013	14/06/2013	11
32.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Legal Department of Liaison Office of Central People's Government of China in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	06/06/2013	06/06/2013	9
33.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Members and Officers of the Standing Committees of Ministries of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs and of Women and Children Affairs of the Parliament of Bangladesh	02/05/2013	02/05/2013	21
34.	Study Visit by officers from the Parliament of Nepal	29/04/2013	01/05/2013	8
35.	Study Visit by students from Lycee Claude Bernard, Paris, France	26/04/2013	26/04/2013	35
36.	Study Visit by Editors and Senior Journalists from Nepal	23/04/2013	23/04/2013	12
37.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the General National Congress from Libya	02/04/2013	04/04/2013	9
38.	Study Visit by participants from various countries attending a Capacity Building Programme at the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi	01/03/2013	01/03/2013	28
39.	Study Visit by Officers of the European Parliament	12/02/2013	12/06/2013	4
40.	Special Training Programme for Members of the Upper House of the Parliament of Afghanistan	11/02/2013	15/02/2013	92
41.	Study Visit by a group of Australian citizens	11/02/2013	11/02/2013	16
42.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Standing Committee of Chairpersons of the Gauteng Provincial Legislature of the Republic of South Africa	21/01/2013	23/01/2013	11
43.	Study Visit by Delegates attending the Regional Conference of Democracies in New Delhi	18/01/2013	18/01/2013	43
44.	Study Visit by Editors and Senior Journalists from ASEAN countries	19/12/2012	19/12/2012	12
45.	Visit by Parliamentary Delegation from Iraq	18/12/2012	18/12/2012	10
46.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the House of Federation, Ethiopia	17/12/2012	21/12/2012	8

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47.	Study Visit by a group of students from the Singapore Management University	11/12/2012	11/12/2012	23
48.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the House of Representatives of Zanzibar, Tanzania	10/12/2012	12/12/2012	8
49.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Committee on Health of the Parliament of Uganda	05/12/2012	07/12/2012	9
50.	Special Attachment Programme for Members of the Myanmar Parliament	15/10/2012	19/10/2012	20
51.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Uganda Parliamentary Commission	03/10/2012	04/10/2012	9
52.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Committee on Following-up the Budget Administration of the House of Representatives of Thailand	28/09/2012	28/09/2012	24
53.	Study Visit by Members of the Parliament of Tanzania and of the House of Representatives of Zanzibar	25/09/2012	25/09/2012	12
54.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the Secretariat of the Senate of Thailand	20/09/2012	20/09/2012	24
55.	Study Visit by foreign diplomats attending the 55th Professional training Course at the Foreign Service Institute, New Delhi	05/09/2012	05/09/2012	17
56.	Study Visit by the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements of the Kwa Zulu Natal Province of the Republic of South Africa	27/08/2012	27/08/2012	12
57.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Departmental Committee of Justice and Legal Affairs of the National Assembly of Kenya	22/08/2012	24/08/2012	4
58.	Study Visit by Members of the South Sudan National Legislative Assembly	11/07/2012	13/07/2012	8
59.	Orientation Programme for Members of the Myanmar Parliament	02/07/2012	07/07/2012	10
60.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the Namibia Institute of Public Administration and Management (NIPAM)	01/06/2012	01/06/2012	7
61.	Study Visit by Research Staff from the National Assembly of Kenya	28/05/2012	04/06/2012	4
62.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Law Formulation Committee of the Regional House of Representatives, Republic of Indonesia	23/05/2012	23/05/2012	13
63.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Committee on Legal and Parliamentary Affairs of the Parliament of Uganda	21/05/2012	25/05/2012	8

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64.	Study Visit by District Governors of Afghanistan, undergoing a Training Programme at the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi	07/05/2012	07/05/2012	16
65.	Study Visit by officers from the Parliament of Malawi	02/05/2012	04/05/2012	3
66.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Standing Committee on Office of Profit from the Parliament of Ghana	30/04/2012	02/05/2012	7
67.	Study Visit by Members of the Welfare and Facilities Committee of the National Assembly of Kenya	23/04/2012	26/04/2012	7
68.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Members of the House of People's Representatives of Ethiopia	17/04/2012	18/04/2012	9
69.	Study Visit by diplomatic correspondents from Nepal, undergoing a Training Programme at the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi	29/03/2012	29/03/2012	15
70.	Study Visit by a group of students of the MES Indian School, Doha, Qatar	27/03/2012	27/03/2012	52
71.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Women Parliamentary Caucus from Sudan	26/03/2012	28/03/2012	22
72.	Study Visit by Members of the Constituent Assembly of Nepal	07/03/2012	07/03/2012	13
73.	Students from the Department of International Studies, Hiroshima City University, Hiroshima, Japan	29/02/2012	29/02/2012	10
74.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the Office of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Ethiopia	28/02/2012	28/02/2012	4
75.	Study Visit by Senior Officers from the Parliament of Tanzania	21/02/2012	24/02/2012	12
76.	Study Visit by Hansard Officers from the National Assembly of Kenya	13/02/2012	21/02/2012	4
77.	Study Visit by a Delegation from Myanmar	31/01/2012	31/01/2012	30
78.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Women Members from the Parliament of Afghanistan	30/01/2012	30/01/2012	13
79.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the Select Committees on Economic Development and Trade and International Relations of the National Council of Provinces of the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa	24/01/2012	24/01/2012	16
80.	Study Visit by officers of the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training of the Parliament of Kenya	18/01/2012	20/01/2012	4
81.	Study Visit by students from the National Law University, Delhi, and the Las Vegas William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada, USA	05/01/2012	05/01/2012	25

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82.	Study Visit by Officers from the National Assembly Research Service of the Republic of Korea	16/12/2011	16/12/2011	4
83.	Visit by Parliamentary Delegation from Myanmar	13/12/2011	13/12/2011	30
84.	Study Visit by Officers of the National Assembly of Korea	18/11/2011	18/11/2011	3
85.	Study Visit by Officers of the Kenya National Assembly	19/10/2011	21/10/2011	2
86.	Study Visit by Officials from Myanmar, undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	28/09/2011	28/09/2011	19
87.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Swedish Parliamentarians	09/09/2011	09/09/2011	4
88.	Study Visit by Media Persons from Tanzania	17/08/2011	19/08/2011	4
89.	Study Visit by Members of the Financial Oversight Committees of the Parliament of Bangladesh	08/08/2011	10/08/2011	18
90.	Study Visit by Women Parliamentarians from Nepal	08/08/2011	08/08/2011	16
91.	Study Visit by Editors from China	03/08/2011	03/08/2011	16
92.	Study Visit by the Speaker's Panel of the National Assembly of Kenya	01/08/2011	05/08/2011	8
93.	Study Visit by Researchers from the King Prajadhipok's Institute, Thailand	28/07/011	28/07/2011	5
94.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Media Persons from Nepal	27/07/2011	27/07/2011	14
95.	Study Visit by the Members of the Committee on Agriculture and Cocoa Affairs of the Parliament of Ghana	22/07/2011	22/07/2011	20
96.	Study Visit by students of Political Science from the Leiden University, The Netherlands	11/07/2011	11/07/2011	25
97.	Study Visit by Members of the Commission for the Implementation of the Constitution of Kenya	16/06/2011	16/06/2011	8
98.	Study Visit by a Parliamentary Delegation from the National Assembly of Malawi	03/05/2011	05/05/2011	9
99.	Study Visit by Young Parliamentarians from Africa	26/04/2011	26/04/2011	25
100.	Study Visit by Chinese Scholars attending a programme at the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA), New Delhi	20/04/2011	20/04/2011	4
101.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the National Defence College of Kenya	20/04/2011	20/04/2011	15
102.	Study Visit by Officers from the Parliament of Uganda	18/04/2011	20/04/2011	5

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103.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the Parliament of Uganda	23/03/2011	25/03/2011	3
104.	Study Visit by the Women's Leadership Board of the Harvard Kennedy School, Boston, USA	14/03/2011	14/03/2011	16
105.	Study Visit by students from the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, visiting India on an Education Tour	14/03/2011	14/03/2011	56
106.	Study Visit by participants from various countries attending a Capacity Building Programme at the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi	11/03/2011	11/03/2011	18
107.	Study Visit by the Members of the Committee on Equal Opportunities of the Parliament of Uganda	08/03/2011	11/03/2011	3
108.	Study Visit by a group of senior citizens from Mauritius	09/02/2011	09/02/2011	22
109.	Study Visit by the Parliamentary Committee on External Affairs, Defence and Security of the Parliament of Namibia	09/02/2011	09/02/2011	4
110.	Study Visit by Foreign Diplomats attending the 50th Professional Course at the Foreign Service Institute, New Delhi	01/02/2011	01/02/2011	22
111.	Study Visit by students from the Harvard Business School, USA	14/01/2011	14/01/2011	50
112.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Confindustria, the nation-wide Confederation of Industries of Italy	05/01/2011	05/01/2011	69
113.	Study Visit by student candidates of Master in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, USA	05/01/2011	05/01/2011	7
114.	Study Visit by MBA students from the Columbia Business School, Columbia University, New York	29/12/2010	29/12/2010	26
115.	Study Visit by a Parliamentary Delegation from Australia	03/12/2010	03/12/2010	6
116.	Study Visit by a group of young members of the Constituent Assembly of Nepal	24/11/2010	24/11/2010	12
117.	Study Visit by Parliamentarians and Members of the Independent Electoral Commission of Botswana	18/11/2010	18/11/2010	7
118.	Study Visit by students of the Emirates National School, Sharjah	16/11/2010	16/11/2010	34
119.	Study Visit by Members of the Lithuania Parliamentary Friendship Group	16/11/2010	16/11/2010	6
120.	Study Visit by the Deputy Chairman of Committees and the Deputy Secretary-General of the Parliament of Sri Lanka	02/11/2010	03/11/2010	2

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121.	Study Visit by Officers from the Government of Egypt	19/10/2010	19/10/2010	2
122.	Study Visit by Officers of the Secretariat General of the House of Representatives of Indonesia	04/10/2010	04/10/2010	12
123.	Study Visit by Officers from the Senate of Thailand	22/09/2010	22/09/2010	24
124.	Study Visit by Diplomats from Asian countries undergoing a Special Course at the Foreign Service Institute, New Delhi	31/08/2010	31/08/2010	31
125.	Study Visit by Senior TV Editors and Journalists from Nepal	18/08/2010	18/08/2010	9
126.	Study Visit by Members of the Committee on Public Investment, National Assembly of Kenya	16/08/2010	18/08/2010	7
127.	Study Visit by the Marshal of the Parliament of Ghana	03/08/2010	06/08/2010	1
128.	Study Visit by the Serjeant at Arms of the Parliament of Seychelles	03/08/2010	06/08/2010	1
129.	Study Visit by Members of the Parliament of Uganda	26/07/2010	30/07/2010	6
130.	Study Visit by Officers from the Government of Bangladesh	23/06/2010	23/06/2010	29
131.	Study Visit by Officers from the Government of Bangladesh	07/06/2010	07/06/2010	34
132.	Study Visit by the Public Accounts Committee of the Parliament of Zambia	28/05/2010	28/05/2010	15
133.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Women Parliamentarians from the National Assembly of Nigeria	26/05/2010	26/05/2010	10
134.	Study Visit by Students from the Tilburg University, Netherlands	04/05/2010	04/05/2010	17
135.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Women Political Leaders from Egypt	30/04/2010	30/04/2010	11
136.	Study Visit by Members of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Tanzania Branch	30/04/2010	30/04/2010	8
137.	Study Visit by Diplomats attending the Special Course at the Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs	30/04/2010	30/04/2010	12
138.	Study Visit by Officers from the Government of Nepal undergoing training at IIPA, New Delhi, on 'Management Development Programme on Federalism'	20/04/2010	20/04/2010	18
139.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Members of the Uganda Parliamentary Service Commission	19/04/2010	23/04/2010	4

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140.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Parliamentary Committee on Implementation of the National Assembly of Kenya	05/04/2010	07/04/2010	7
141.	Study Visit by Members of the Senate and House of Representatives Committees of the National Assembly of Nigeria	29/03/2010	31/03/2010	8
142.	Study Visit by Foreign Diplomats attending the 49th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats at the Foreign Service Institute, New Delhi	12/03/2010	12/03/2010	21
143.	Study Visit by participants from the Research and Information System for Developing Countries, New Delhi	11/03/2010	11/03/2010	25
144.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Members and Officials from the Afghanistan Parliament	23/02/2010	25/02/2010	8
145.	Study Visit by Officials of the National Assembly of Malawi	01/02/2010	05/02/2010	5
146.	Study Visit by Officials from the Secretariat of the Wolesi Jirga of the Afghanistan Parliament	13/01/2010	20/01/2010	6
147.	Visit of the Secretary-General of the House of Representatives of Uruguay	12/01/2010	12/01/2010	2
148.	Study Visit by Research Staff Member from the House of Peoples Representatives, Ethiopia	21/12/2009	23/12/2009	17
149.	Meeting of Senior Editors and Journalists from various Media Organizations of Nepal	15/12/2009	15/12/2009	8
150.	Study Visits by the Members of Namibian Parliament	14/12/2009	17/12/2009	6
151.	Visit by the 6-member Delegation of Parliamentarians from Afghanistan	03/12/2009	03/12/2009	6
152.	Study Visit by a Delegation of the Committee on Govt. Assurances of Uganda Parliament	23/11/2009	24/11/2009	10
153.	Study Visit by the Members of the Steering Committee for the Establishment of the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training at the Kenya National Assembly	23/11/2009	24/11/2009	3
154.	Study Visit by two officials from the Parliament of Sri Lanka	28/10/2009	28/10/2009	2
155.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the Standing Committee of the House of Representatives Affairs, Thai National Assembly	22/09/2009	22/09/2009	24
156.	Study Visit by Officers of the Government of Nepal undergoing Management Development Programme on Federalism in Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA)	02/09/2009	02/09/2009	15

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157.	Study Visit by a delegation from SNNPRS, a regional State of Ethiopia led, by the Hon'ble Speaker	17/08/2009	19/08/2009	4
158.	Attachment Programme for two Officials from the National Assembly of Seychelles	03/08/2009	07/08/2009	2
159.	Study Visit by a delegation of Bangladesh Officials	22/07/2009	22/07/2009	37
160.	Study Visit by Editors from Sri Lanka	13/07/2009	14/07/2009	7
161.	Study Visit by Researchers from the Secretariat of the Mongolian Parliament	22/06/2009	25/06/2009	6
162.	Study Visit by Media Persons from Sri Lanka	09/06/2009	09/06/2009	11
163.	Study Visit by a Delegation from the Parliament of Afghanistan	27/05/2009	28/05/2009	21
VIII.	**STUDY VISITS/CALL ON MEETINGS/ATTACHMENT PROGRAMMES FOR OFFICIALS OF STATE LEGISLATURE SECRETARIATS**			
1.	Study Visit by Students from Nehru Studies Centre, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur	30/04/2014	30/04/2014	26
2.	Study Visit by Students from Kanoharlal Post Graduate Girls College, Meerut	30/04/2014	30/04/2014	68
3.	Call-on Meeting with HS cum Study Visit by Students from Sanskriti School, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi	24/04/2014	24/04/2014	18
4.	Study Visit by students from Bimal Chandra College of Law, Kandi, Murshidabad, West Bengal	04/04/2014	04/04/2014	27
5.	Study Visit by Students of Durgapur Institute of Legal Studies, Burdwan, West Bengal	27/03/2014	27/03/2014	22
6.	Study Visit by Trainees undergoing training at the Central Translation Bureau, Department of Official Language, New Delhi	21/03/2014	21/03/2014	30
7.	Study Visit by Officers upto the rank of Colonel and equivalent, Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	13/03/2014	13/03/2014	20
8.	Study Visit by Students of the University of Pune, Department of Communication and Journalism, Pune	11/03/2014	11/03/2014	31
9.	Study Visit by Students from Sona Public School, New Delhi	28/02/2014	28/02/2014	45
10.	Study Visit by Teacher trainees of the Kerala Hindi Prachar Sabha, Thiruvananthapuram	26/02/2014	26/02/2014	51
11.	Study Visit by Students from Department of Journalism and Communication Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	21/02/2014	21/02/2014	21

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12.	Study Visit by Students from Aditanar College of Arts and Science, Tiruchendur, Tamil Nadu	21/02/2014	21/02/2014	23
13.	Study Visit by Students of the MIT School of Government, Pune	21/02/2014	21/02/2014	27
14.	Study Visit by Students of Department of Political Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	20/02/2014	20/02/2014	35
15.	Study Visit by Law Students from the Gopaldas Jhamatmal Advani Law College, Bandra, Mumbai	19/02/2014	19/02/2014	51
16.	Study Visit by Students and Teachers from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Imphal, Manipur	17/02/2014	21/02/2014	23
17.	Study Visit by Students of St. Stephen's College, Delhi	13/02/2014	13/02/2014	26
18.	Study Visit by Trainees of CSS undergoing training at ISTM, New Delhi	07/02/2014	07/02/2014	52
19.	Study visit by Officer Trainees of CSS undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	06/02/2014	06/02/2014	53
20.	Study Visit by Students of School of Communication Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh	06/02/2014	06/02/2014	46
21.	Study Visit by Students of Veda Vyasa DAV School, Vikaspuri, New Delhi	30/01/2014	30/01/2014	124
22.	Study Visit by Tribal Representatives from various parts of India	29/01/2014	29/01/2014	83
23.	Study Visit by Students of Veda Vyasa DAV School, Vikaspuri, New Delhi	27/01/2014	27/01/2014	124
24.	Study Visit by Recipients of the National Bravery Awards for Children	24/01/2014	24/01/2014	67
25.	Call on Meeting with HS by Children Recipient of National Bravery Awards	21/01/2014	21/01/2014	67
26.	Study Visit by Students from the Institute of Design, Environment and Architecture (IDEA), Nashik	13/01/2014	13/01/2014	54
27.	Study Visit by students of the Symbiosis International University, Pune	08/01/2014	08/01/2014	35
28.	Study Visit by officials undergoing training at the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	27/12/2013	27/12/2013	23
29.	Study Visit by Trainee Assistant Executive Engineers of the CPWD undergoing training at the IIPA, New Delhi	24/12/2013	24/12/2013	31
30.	Study Visit by students from Sher Shah Suri Inter-Stariya Vidyalaya, Sasaram, Rohtas, Bihar	18/12/2013	20/12/2013	28

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31.	Study Visit by students from DPS, Kathua, Jammu and Kashmir	17/12/2013	17/12/2013	81
32.	Study Visit by students from the Shyam Lal College (Evening), Delhi University	17/12/2013	17/12/2013	37
33.	Study Visit by Students of Tapovan Vatsalyadham School, Gandhinagar, Gujarat	17/12/2013	17/12/2013	30
34.	Study Visit by School Children from Lakshadweep	14/12/2013	16/12/2013	22
35.	Study Visit by Students from the Central Institute of Education, University of Delhi	12/12/2013	12/12/2013	66
36.	Study Visit by students of Sanskriti School, New Delhi	12/12/2013	12/12/2013	55
37.	Study Visit by Students from Veda Vyasa D.A.V. Public School, Vikaspuri, New Delhi	29/11/2013	29/11/2013	64
38.	Study Visit by children receiving rehabilitation assistance from the National Foundation for Communal Harmony, New Delhi	25/11/2013	25/11/2013	5
39.	Study Visit by Students and Professors of Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology, New Delhi	14/11/2013	14/11/2013	32
40.	Study Visit by a group of College students from South Mumbai	12/11/2013	12/11/2013	84
41.	Study visit by students of Alva's College of Nursing, Karnataka	07/11/2013	07/11/2013	98
42.	Study Visit by participants attending Refresher Course in Political Science at Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	06/11/2013	06/11/2013	32
43.	Study Visit by students from the Delhi Public School, Rohini, New Delhi and Die Loburg Gymnasium Johanneum, Ostbevern, Germany	24/10/2013	24/10/2013	25
44.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent, attending an Orientation Programme at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	24/10/2013	24/10/2013	24
45.	Study Visit by Research Assistants to Legislators from the Rajiv Gandhi Institute for Contemporary Studies, New Delhi	23/10/2013	23/10/2013	16
46.	Study Visit by Students of the MIT-International School of Broadcasting and Journalism, Pune	23/10/2013	23/10/2013	17
47.	Study Visit by Students from Aalo, District West Siang, Arunachal Pradesh undergoing Civic Action Programme conducted by ITBP North-East India	18/10/2013	18/10/2013	21

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48.	Study Visit by Students from the NARS School, Hyderabad	18/10/2013	18/10/2013	27
49.	Study Visit by Students of St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad	17/10/2013	17/10/2013	21
50.	Study Visit by Students of Shree Kerala Varma College, Thrissur, Kerala	17/10/2013	17/10/2013	30
51.	Study Visit by Students and Teachers of the Resonance Info School, Andhra Pradesh	14/10/2013	14/10/2013	92
52.	Study Visit by students from Sudhiranjan Lahiri Mahavidyalaya, Majdia, Nadia, West Bengal	12/10/2013	12/10/2013	20
53.	Study Visit by Students of Presidium School, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh	08/10/2013	08/10/2013	113
54.	Study Visit by Students of PG Department of Management Science, Sree Saraswathi Thyagaraja College, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu	04/10/2013	04/10/2013	71
55.	Study Visit by a Citizens' Group	26/09/2013	26/09/2013	23
56.	Study Visit by Law Students of the Law College, Durgapur, West Bengal	25/09/2013	25/09/2013	25
57.	Study Visit by Students of Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	25/09/2013	25/09/2013	45
58.	Study Visit by Law Students from the Department of Law, University of Burdwan, West Bengal	24/09/2013	24/09/2013	41
59.	Study Visit by Law Sudents of the Hooghly Mohsin College, West Bengal	20/09/2013	20/09/2013	59
60.	Study Visit for Students of Masters in Personnel Management at the Institute of Management Studies, University of Pune	19/09/2013	19/09/2013	17
61.	Study Visit by Students from the I.I.S. University, Jaipur	06/09/2013	06/09/2013	32
62.	Study Visit by Students of Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, New Delhi	06/09/2013	06/09/2013	52
63.	Study Visit by Students of Tagore International School, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi	03/09/2013	03/09/2013	78
64.	Study Visit by Students of Sadhu Vaswani International School for Girls, New Delhi	02/09/2013	02/09/2013	48
65.	Study Visit by Students of Prist School of Business, Prist University, Chennai	30/08/2013	30/08/2013	21
66.	Study Visit by students of the Maharani Gayatri Devi School, Jaipur	29/08/2013	29/08/2013	37

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67.	Study Visit by Students of Evergreen Public School, Vasundhara Enclave, Delhi	27/08/2013	27/08/2013	15
68.	Study Visit by Security Officers from the Bhabha Atomic Research Institute, Mumbai	27/08/2013	27/08/2013	25
69.	Study Visit by Students who topped Graduate Course Examinations and High Achievers in Delhi University and Jamia Millia Islamia	26/08/2013	26/08/2013	25
70.	Study Visit by Students of Lancer's Convent Senior Secondary School, Rohini	24/08/2013	24/08/2013	30
71.	Study Visit by Students of DAV Public School, Faridabad	24/08/2013	24/08/2013	40
72.	Study Visit by students from Greenfields School, Dilshad Garden, Delhi	23/08/2013	23/08/2013	45
73.	Study Visit by students from Europe through Akchhram, Delhi	23/08/2013	23/08/2013	8
74.	Study Visit by students of Welham Girls School, Dehradun	22/08/2013	22/08/2013	18
75.	Study Visit by students from the Delhi Public School, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi	14/08/2013	14/08/2013	100
76.	Study Visit by students from the Delhi Public School, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi	13/08/2013	13/08/2013	116
77.	Study Visit by Assistants undergoing training at ISTM, New Delhi	13/08/2013	13/08/2013	83
78.	Study Visit by CBSE topper students of Delhi	07/08/2013	07/08/2013	52
79.	Study Visit by Students and Teachers of Mayo College Girls School	07/08/2013	07/08/2013	96
80.	Study Visit by Students of Raghubir Singh Junior Modern School, New Delhi	26/07/2013	26/07/2013	164
81.	Study visit by students from the Vidya Jyoti College, Delhi	24/07/2013	24/07/2013	42
82.	Study Visit by students from the Raghubir Singh Junior Modern School, New Delhi	19/07/2013	19/07/2013	120
83.	Study Visit by students of Shri Ram College of Commerce, New Delhi and Schreyer College, Penn State University, U.S.A, under an academic collaborative Programme	18/07/2013	18/07/2013	29
84.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent, attending an Orientation Programme at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	19/06/2013	19/06/2013	18

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85.	Study Visit by Group 'B' officers attending Foundation Course for Direct recruit Assistants undergoing training at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	18/06/2013	18/06/2013	28
86.	Call-on Meeting of Defence Officers with Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha on the Armed Forces Flag Day	12/06/2013	12/06/2013	4
87.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonel, attending an Orientation Programme at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	29/05/2013	29/05/2013	18
88.	Study Visit by trainees from the Central Translation Bureau	08/05/2013	08/05/2013	28
89.	Study Visit by students of St. Joseph's School, Bhagalpur, Bihar	07/05/2013	07/05/2013	92
90.	Call-on Meeting with Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha by members of the Gandhi Global Family, Delhi	02/05/2013	02/05/2013	50
91.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent, undergoing a Training Programme at the Defence Service Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	01/05/2013	01/05/2013	8
92.	Study Visit by students sponsored by ITIHAAS	30/04/2013	30/04/2013	134
93.	Call-on Meeting with Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha by eminent academics	25/04/2013	25/04/2013	14
94.	Study Visit by teacher trainees from the Regional Training Centre for the Teachers of the Blind, Poonammalee, Chennai	16/04/2013	16/04/2013	25
95.	Study Visit by students of the Bimal Chandra College of Law, Kandi, Murshidabad, West Bengal	09/04/2013	09/04/2013	28
96.	Study Visit by students from the Adikavi Nannaya University, Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh	04/04/2013	04/04/2013	42
97.	Study Visit by Officers of the Manipur Finance Service undergoing training at the National Institute of Finance Management, Faridabad	02/04/2013	02/04/2013	21
98.	Study Visit by students of the Devi Vilasam Teacher Training Institute, Thalavoor, Kerala	02/04/2013	02/04/2013	55
99.	Call-on Meeting with the Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha by Principals of some Schools in Delhi	22/03/2013	22/03/2013	13
100.	Study Visit by students of the Durgapur Institute of Legal Studies, Durgapur, West Bengal	20/03/2013	20/03/2013	52
101.	Study Visit by students of the Vidyajyoti College, Delhi	19/03/2013	19/03/2013	15

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102.	Study Visit by B.Ed. students of the Central Institute of Education, University of Delhi	14/03/2013	14/03/2013	61
103.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Communications and Journalism, University of Pune	12/03/2013	12/03/2013	37
104.	Study Visit by students of DES Law College, Pune	12/03/2013	12/03/2013	44
105.	Study Visit by officials undergoing training at the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	08/03/2013	08/03/2013	23
106.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent, attending an Orientation Programme at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	06/03/2013	06/03/2013	22
107.	Study Visit by students of the MIT School of Government, Pune	06/03/2013	06/03/2013	39
108.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Political Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	05/03/2013	05/03/2013	40
109.	Study Visit by students of the Gopaldas Jhamatmal Advani Law College, Mumbai	01/03/2013	01/03/2013	38
110.	Study Visit by students of Political Science (B.Ed. trainees) of the Department of Teacher Training & Non-Formal Education, Institute of Advanced Studies in Education, Faculty of Education, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi	22/02/2013	22/02/2013	50
111.	Study Visit by Law students of the Surendranath Law College, West Bengal	22/02/2013	22/02/2013	86
112.	Study Visit by a group of students from Narayanpur District of Chhattisgarh	14/02/2013	14/02/2013	41
113.	Study Visit by students of the Govindrao Wanjari College of Law, Nagpur	13/02/2013	13/02/2013	29
114.	Study Visit by students of the MIT International School of Broadcasting and Journalism, Pune	12/02/2013	12/02/2013	26
115.	Study Visit by Assistants (Direct Recruit) of CSS undergoing training at the ISTM, Delhi	08/02/2013	08/02/2013	106
116.	Study Visit by Direct recruit Assistants undergoing training at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	07/02/2013	07/02/2013	31
117.	Study Visit by a group of girl students from Narayanpur and Orcha Districts of Chhattisgarh	07/02/2013	07/02/2013	51
118.	Study Visit by students of the College of Diary Sciences and Technology, Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Thrissur, Kerala	06/02/2013	06/02/2013	25

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119.	Study Visit by students of the School of Communication Studies, Punjab University, Chandigarh	05/02/2013	05/02/2013	47
120.	Study Visit by officers of the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly	04/02/2013	04/02/2013	7
121.	Study Visit by Tribal Representatives from different parts of India who are attending the Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi	29/01/2013	29/01/2013	78
122.	Study Visit by children who were conferred the National Bravery Awards and accompanying persons	24/01/2013	24/01/2013	75
123.	Study Visit by students of the Presidium School, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad	22/01/2013	22/01/2013	109
124.	Study Visit by girl students belonging to SC/ST category, studying under the NPEGEL Scheme in Surguja District, Chhattisgarh	17/01/2013	17/01/2013	52
125.	Study Visit by students of the Institute of Design, Environment and Architecture (IDEA), Nashik	16/01/2013	16/01/2013	56
126.	Study Visit by students of the Thiagarajar College of Engineering, Madurai	07/01/2013	07/01/2013	77
127.	Study Visit by students of the National Law University, Delhi	03/01/2013	03/01/2013	35
128.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent, attending an Orientation Programme at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	20/12/2012	20/12/2012	13
129.	Study Visit by students and functionaries of The Earth Saviours Foundation, New Delhi	20/12/2012	20/12/2012	70
130.	Study Visit by a group of students from South Mumbai	19/12/2012	19/12/2012	55
131.	Study Visit by a group of students of the Department of Social Work, St. Joseph's College, Bangalore	18/12/2012	18/12/2012	24
132.	Visit by presidents and functionaries of Rotary Club International District 3230, Chennai	18/12/2012	18/12/2012	42
133.	Study Visit by a group of volunteers from District Narayanpur, Chhattisgarh	13/12/2012	13/12/2012	51
134.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants undergoing training at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	07/12/2012	07/12/2012	26
135.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Political Science, Vidyasagar University, Kolkata	06/12/2012	06/12/2012	19

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136.	Study Visit by officials undergoing training at the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	27/11/2012	27/11/2012	28
137.	Study Visit by Probationary Assistant Controllers of State Accounts Department of Karnataka, attending the Management Development Programme at NIFM, Faridabad	01/11/2012	01/11/2012	21
138.	Study Visit by teachers attending an Orientation Programme at the UGC Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	30/10/2012	30/10/2012	26
139.	Study Visit by students of Bachelor of Journalism and Mass Communication at the Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	26/10/2012	26/10/2012	46
140.	Study Visit by teachers attending an Orientation Programme at the UGC Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	23/10/2012	23/10/2012	44
141.	Study Visit by a group of students from the Little Flower Higher Secondary School, Nagaland	23/10/2012	23/10/2012	68
142.	Study Visit by students from the Christ School, Bangalore	23/10/2012	23/10/2012	88
143.	Study Visit by students of AC School, Bengaluru, Karnataka	19/10/2012	19/10/2012	44
144.	Study Visit by students of the St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad	16/10/2012	16/10/2012	41
145.	Study Visit by students of the St. Joseph's School, Hyderabad	15/10/2012	15/10/2012	153
146.	Study Visit by Probationary Assistant Controllers of State Accounts Department of Karnataka, attending the Management Development Programme at NIFM, Faridabad	11/10/2012	11/10/2012	22
147.	Study Visit by students belonging to the Jammu Region, sponsored by the CRPF under the banner "Siksha Kiran"	11/10/2012	11/10/2012	35
148.	Study Visit by a group of students of the Puducherry University, Puducherry	11/10/2012	11/10/2012	50
149.	Study Visit by a group of LL.B. Students from the Department of Law, University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal	10/10/2012	10/10/2012	36
150.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Library Science, Mizoram University	03/10/2012	03/10/2012	22
151.	Study Visit by Law Students of the Bengal Law College, Santiniketan, West Bengal	28/09/2012	28/09/2012	30

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152.	Study Visit by students of Law College, Durgapur, West Bengal	26/09/2012	26/09/2012	38
153.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants undergoing training at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	25/09/2012	25/09/2012	29
154.	Study Visit by Law Students of the Hooghly Mohsin College, Hooghly, West Bengal	25/09/2012	25/09/2012	44
155.	Study Visit by students of the Sree Saraswati Thyagaraja College, Tamil Nadu	06/09/2012	06/09/2012	79
156.	Study Visit by students from the Tapovan Vatsalyadham School, Gandhinangar, Gujarat	05/09/2012	05/09/2012	20
157.	Study Visit by students and teachers, through the Indian Traditions and Heritage Society (ITIHAAS)	04/09/2012	04/09/2012	138
158.	Study Visit by a group of students from the Bhavan's Vidya Mandir, Pathanamthitta, Kerala	31/08/2012	31/08/2012	13
159.	Study Visit by students of the South Eastern Railway Mixed Higher Secondary School, Kharagpur, West Bengal	29/08/2012	29/08/2012	67
160.	Study Visit by foreign students sponsored by "Aksharam", New Delhi	27/08/2012	27/08/2012	10
161.	Study Visit by trainees attending the Quarterly Translation Training Session at the Central Translation Bureau, Delhi	24/08/2012	24/08/2012	25
162.	Study Visit by students from the SGVP International School, Ahmedabad, Gujarat	21/08/2012	21/08/2012	24
163.	Study Visit by students from the Rajendra's Academy, Bhikanpur, Kanth Road, Moradabad	08/08/2012	08/08/2012	40
164.	Study Visit by Probationary Officers of Odisha, undergoing a Training Programme at the National Institute of Financial Management, Faridabad	01/08/2012	01/08/2012	50
165.	Study Visit by Researchers from the Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Contemporary Studies, New Delhi	26/07/2012	26/07/2012	22
166.	Study Visit by UDCs/Assistants undergoing the 35th Level 'A' training programme at the ISTM, New Delhi	24/07/2012	24/07/2012	39
167.	Study Visit by students of the Vidyajyoti College, Delhi	20/07/2012	20/07/2012	36
168.	Study Visit by a group of children, sponsored by "Save the Children, India"	20/07/2012	20/07/2012	40

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169.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent, attending an Orientation Programme at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	12/07/2012	12/07/2012	17
170.	Study Visit by Probationary Officers of Odisha, undergoing a Training Programme at the National Institute of Financial Management, Faridabad	10/07/2012	10/07/2012	52
171.	Study Visit by participants attending the 34th Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs at the ISTM, New Delhi	21/06/2012	21/06/2012	42
172.	Study Visit by a group of Direct Recruit Assistants, undergoing a Foundational Course at the Defence Service Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	05/06/2012	05/06/2012	22
173.	Study Visit by students from the New Happy Public School, Chhachhrauli Road, Bilaspur (Yamuna Nagar)	31/05/2012	31/05/2012	24
174.	Study Visit sponsored by Saksham Charitable Trust, Delhi, for students from Nithari Village of Noida	18/05/2012	18/05/2012	30
175.	Study Visit by a Delegation of Members of the Rules Committee of the Andhra Pradesh Legislature	16/05/2012	16/05/2012	16
176.	Study Visit by students of the Amar Jyoti School, Delhi	15/05/2012	15/05/2012	24
177.	Study Visit by officials undergoing training at the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	10/05/2012	10/05/2012	14
178.	Study Visit by participants attending the 33rd CSS Level "A" Training Programme for UDCs at the ISTM, New Delhi	08/05/2012	08/05/2012	36
179.	Study Visit by students from the Fr. Agnel School, Noida	04/05/2012	04/05/2012	61
180.	Study Visit by students of Masters Programme in Government at the MIT School of Government, Pune	02/05/2012	02/05/2012	16
181.	Study Visit by students sponsored through the Indian Traditions and Heritage Society (ITIHAAS)	27/04/2012	27/04/2012	123
182.	Study Visit by officers of the Karnataka Legislature Secretariat	23/04/2012	24/04/2012	12
183.	Study Visit by Probationers of the Indian Trade Service	19/04/2012	19/04/2012	16
184.	Study Visit by participants attending the Refresher Course at the UGC Academic Staff College, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	18/04/2012	18/04/2012	39
185.	Study Visit by students of Journalism from the Express Institute of Media Studies, Delhi	13/04/2012	13/04/2012	20
186.	Study Visit by trainees from various Units of the Department of Atomic Energy, Mumbai	12/04/2012	12/04/2012	43

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187.	Study Visit by participants attending the Refresher Course at the UGC Academic Staff College, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	11/04/2012	11/04/2012	40
188.	Study Visit by trainees from the Central Translation Bureau	30/03/2012	30/03/2012	30
189.	Study Visit by students of Ram Lal Anand College (Evening, Delhi)	30/03/2012	30/03/2012	42
190.	Study Visit by Teacher Trainees of the Devi Vilasam Teachers Training Institute, Thalavoor, Kerala	29/03/2012	29/03/2012	40
191.	Study Visit by Law students from the Bimal Chandra College of Law, Kandi, Murshidabad, West Bengal	28/03/2012	28/03/2012	37
192.	Study Visit by teachers attending an Orientation Programme at the UGC Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	27/03/2012	27/03/2012	30
193.	Study Visit sponsored by Saksham Charitable Trust, Delhi, for students from Nithari Village of Noida	27/03/2012	27/03/2012	34
194.	Study Visit by participants undergoing the 32nd Level 'A' Training for UDCs at the Institute for Secretariat Training and Management (ISTM), New Delhi	26/03/2012	26/03/2012	29
195.	Study Visit by B.Ed. trainees from the Department of Teacher Training & Non-Formal Education, Jamia Millia Islamia	22/03/2012	22/03/2012	50
196.	Study Visit by students sponsored through the Indian Traditions and Heritage Society (ITIHAAS)	20/03/2012	20/03/2012	41
197.	Study Visit by Serving Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent, undergoing an Orientation Programme at the Defence Service Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	15/03/2012	15/03/2012	22
198.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Communication and Journalism, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	15/03/2012	15/03/2012	33
199.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Communication and Journalism, University of Pune, Maharashtra (15 March 2012)	15/03/2012	15/03/2012	34
200.	Study Visit by students from the Baptist Convent School, Patparganj, Delhi	09/03/2012	09/03/2012	40
201.	Study Visit by students of Law Section, Hooghly Mohsin College, Hooghly, West Bengal	07/03/2012	07/03/2012	50
202.	Study Visit by LL.B. students of G.J. Advani Law College, Mumbai	29/02/2012	29/02/2012	23

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203.	Study Visit by students from the DES Law College, Pune	29/02/2012	29/02/2012	27
204.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Political Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	24/02/2012	24/02/2012	27
205.	Study Visit by Law students from the University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal	23/02/2012	23/02/2012	37
206.	Study Visit by students from St. Philomena's College of Nursing, Bangalore	21/02/2012	21/02/2012	33
207.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Political Science, RTM Nagpur University, Nagpur	16/02/2012	16/02/2012	43
208.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants of CSS undergoing the Foundational Training Programme at the ISTM, New Delhi	15/02/2012	15/02/2012	123
209.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants of CSS undergoing the Foundational Training Programme at the ISTM, New Delhi	14/02/2012	14/02/2012	125
210.	Study Visit by students from Qasba Nagam, Jammu and Kashmir, sponsored by the Rashtriya Rifles under the "Operation Sadbhavana"	10/02/2012	10/02/2012	47
211.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Law of the University of Burdwan, West Bengal	09/02/2012	09/02/2012	47
212.	Study Visit by students from the Surendranath Law College, West Bengal	07/02/2012	07/02/2012	45
213.	Study Visit by students from the St. John's College of Nursing, Bangalore	07/02/2012	07/02/2012	70
214.	Study Visit by students from the Aditanar College of Arts and Science, Virapandianpatnam, Tamil Nadu	06/02/2012	06/02/2012	21
215.	Study Visit by women Municipal Councilors from Karnataka	02/02/2012	02/02/2012	16
216.	Study Visit by students from the K.C. Law College, Mumbai	02/02/2012	02/02/2012	40
217.	Study Visit by students of the School of Communication Studies, Punjab University, Chandigarh	31/01/2012	31/01/2012	47
218.	Study Visit by school students from Sikkim under the Educational Excursion Tour, sponsored by the ITBP as part of the Civic Action Programme	27/01/2012	27/01/2012	22
219.	Study Visit by Tribal Representatives attending the Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi	25/01/2012	25/01/2012	70

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220.	Study Visit by participants undergoing the 31st Level 'A' Training for UDCs at the Institute for Secretariat Training and Management (ISTM), New Delhi	23/01/2012	23/01/2012	35
221.	Study Visit by students from the Shri Digambar Mahila Ashram, New Delhi	22/12/2011	22/12/2011	27
222.	Study Visit by school students through the Indian Traditions and Heritage Society (ITIHAAS), New Delhi	22/12/2011	22/12/2011	75
223.	Study Visit by students from the RD Rajpal Public School, Dwarka, New Delhi	16/12/2011	16/12/2011	47
224.	Study Visit by students from the Pranabanandan Women's College, Dimapur, Nagaland	14/12/2011	14/12/2011	60
225.	Study Visit by students of BJMC from the Manav Rachna International University, Faridabad	13/12/2011	13/12/2011	25
226.	Study Visit by B.Ed. students from the Faculty of Education, University of Delhi	09/12/2011	09/12/2011	62
227.	Study Visit by a group of students from South Mumbai	08/12/2011	08/12/2011	41
228.	Study Visit by children from the Sarv Daliya Manav Vikas Kendra, Bahoj, Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh	07/12/2011	07/12/2011	95
229.	Study Visit by CSS Level 'A' Assistants, undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	02/12/2011	02/12/2011	38
230.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Political Science, Goa University, Goa	28/11/2011	28/11/2011	20
231.	Study Visit by journalists from Mantralaya and the Vidhi Mandal Vartahar Sangh, Mumbai, Maharashtra	24/11/2011	25/11/2011	20
232.	Study Visit by participants attending an Orientation Course at the UGC Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	23/11/2011	23/11/2011	47
233.	Study Visit by a group of students from the Government School, Mamring, East District of Sikkim	18/11/2011	18/11/2011	34
234.	Study Visit by officials of the JSS Academy of Technical Education, Noida	17/11/2011	17/11/2011	20
235.	Study Visit by students from the Ahlcon International School, Mayur Vihar, New Delhi	08/11/2011	08/11/2011	20
236.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Library and Information Science of the Mizoram University	04/11/2011	04/11/2011	20
237.	Study Visit by the faculty and students of BJ (MC) from the Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	04/11/2011	04/11/2011	55

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238.	Study Visit by UDCs undergoing the 29th Level 'A' Training Programme at the ISTM, New Delhi	27/10/2011	27/10/2011	27
239.	Study Visit by teachers attending an Orientation Programme at the UGC Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	19/10/2011	19/10/2011	34
240.	Study Visit by students from the St. John's Regional Seminary, Hyderabad	17/10/2011	17/10/2011	20
241.	Study Visit by students from the MIT International School of Broadcasting and Journalism, Pune	13/10/2011	13/10/2011	28
242.	Study Visit by students and teachers from a Mumbai School, through the Indian Traditions and Heritage Society (ITIHAAS)	07/10/2011	07/10/2011	96
243.	Study Visit by students from the Durgapur Law College, Burdwan, West Bengal	28/09/2011	28/09/2011	76
244.	Study Visit by students from the Bengal Law College, Santiniketan, West Bengal	23/09/2011	23/09/2011	33
245.	Study Visit by CSS Level 'A' Assistants, undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	22/09/2011	22/09/2011	34
246.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	20/09/2011	20/09/2011	90
247.	Study Visit by students from the Carmel Convent School, New Delhi	07/09/2011	07/09/2011	57
248.	Study Visit by students from the Lancaster University, UK, and the GD Goenka World Institute, Gurgaon	06/09/2011	06/09/2011	34
249.	Study Visit by students from the Marwari Senior Secondary School, Delhi	02/09/2011	02/09/2011	107
250.	Study Visit by Journalists from Mantralaya and Vidhi Mandal Vartahar Sangh, Mumbai	01/09/2011	02/09/2011	14
251.	Study Visit by foreign students sponsored by "Aksharam", New Delhi	26/08/2011	26/08/2011	14
252.	Study Visit by students from the Carmel Convent School, New Delhi	24/08/2011	24/08/2011	50
253.	Study Visit by students from the Smt. Gindori Devi Royal School, Rohtak, Haryana	23/08/2011	23/08/2011	72
254.	Study Visit by students from Chhattisgarh	17/08/2011	17/08/2011	62
255.	Study Visit by members of the Thane Zilla Parishad, Maharashtra	17/08/2011	17/08/2011	62

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256.	Study Visit by children with special needs at "Sparsh", Delhi and children from the Presidium School	12/08/2011	12/08/2011	32
257.	Study Visit by students from the Saffron Public School, Phagwara, Punjab	12/08/2011	12/08/2011	50
258.	Study Visit by Brigadiers and equivalent of the Indian Armed Forces from the National Defence College, Delhi	11/08/2011	11/08/2011	112
259.	Study Visit by participants undergoing training at the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	02/08/2011	02/08/2011	21
260.	Study Visit by Service Officers up to the rank of Colonel and Equivalent from the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	28/07/2011	28/07/2011	16
261.	Study Visit by students of the Haldia Law College, Haldia, West Bengal	27/07/2011	27/07/2011	15
262.	Study Visit by participants attending the CSS Level 'A' Training Programme at the ISTM, New Delhi	27/07/2011	27/07/2011	31
263.	Study Visit by trainee advocates from the National Law University, Delhi	21/07/2011	21/07/2011	95
264.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistant trainees undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	05/07/2011	05/07/2011	85
265.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Journalism and Communication Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	29/06/2011	29/06/2011	23
266.	Study Visit by Faculty members from the Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi, and the School of Management Studies, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi	28/06/2011	28/06/2011	42
267.	Study Visit by Level 'A' UDC/Assistant trainees undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	16/06/2011	16/06/2011	40
268.	Study Visit by students from the Udavi School and Aikyam School, Auroville, Tamil Nadu	09/05/2011	09/05/2011	42
269.	Study Visit by UDCs undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	03/05/2011	03/05/2011	26
270.	Study Visit by participants attending the Refresher Course in Political Science at the UGC Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	25/04/2011	25/04/2011	35
271.	Study Visit by participants attending a training programme at the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	19/04/2011	19/04/2011	21

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272.	Study Visit by participants attending a Course at the UGC Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	18/04/2011	18/04/2011	38
273.	Study Visit by Teacher Trainees from the Devi Vilasam Teacher Training Institute, Thalavoor, Kerala	07/04/2011	07/04/2011	49
274.	Study Visit by students from the Bimal Chandra Law College, Murshidabad	01/04/2011	01/04/2011	30
275.	Study Visit by officials undergoing training at the Department of Official Language, Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	25/03/2011	25/03/2011	14
276.	Study Visit by students from the YMCA, New Delhi	24/03/2011	24/03/2011	47
277.	Study Visit by students from the Indian Institute of Mass Communication, New Delhi	22/03/2011	22/03/2011	37
278.	Study Visit by students from the YMCA, New Delhi	22/03/2011	22/03/2011	49
279.	Study Visit by the students from the Times School of Journalism	18/03/2011	18/03/2011	24
280.	Study Visit by students of the Department of History, University of Calicut	17/03/2011	17/03/2011	16
281.	Study Visit by senior officers from Securities Market Regulators from different jurisdictions attending the IOSCO Standing Committee 1 Meeting at the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)	17/03/2011	17/03/2011	18
282.	Study Visit by students from the Guru Harkrishan Model School, Nihal Vihar, New Delhi	17/03/2011	17/03/2011	36
283.	Study Visit by participants from the Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	17/03/2011	17/03/2011	40
284.	Study Visit by Women Sarpanchs and Panchayat Secretaries of Chhattisgarh	15/03/2011	15/03/2011	53
285.	Study Visit by Assistants undergoing Entry Level Course (AFHQ) at the ISTM, New Delhi	11/03/2011	11/03/2011	32
286.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Communication and Journalism, University of Pune	10/03/2011	10/03/2011	34
287.	Study Visit by Members of the Jeevana Jyothi Zilla Samakhya, Karimnagar District, Andhra Pradesh	10/03/2011	10/03/2011	44
288.	Study Visit by students from the Shyam Lal College (Eve.), Delhi	09/03/2011	09/03/2011	79
289.	Study Visit by students from the Shri Ram School, Gurgaon, under the aegis of the Indian Tradition and Heritage Society (ITIHAAS), New Delhi	08/03/2011	08/03/2011	128

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290.	Study Visit by students from the MIT School of Government, Pune	07/03/2011	07/03/2011	31
291.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Management Studies, Adikavi Nannaya University, Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh	04/03/2011	04/03/2011	39
292.	Study Visit by students from the Civics Society and Central Institute of Education, Faculty of Education, University of Delhi	03/03/2011	03/03/2011	51
293.	Study Visit by Law students from the Durgapur Institute of Legal Studies, Durgapur, West Bengal	25/02/2011	25/02/2011	35
294.	Study Visit by teachers undergoing a Refresher Course at the Academic Staff College, JNU, New Delhi	24/02/2011	24/02/2011	19
295.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Political Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	24/02/2011	24/02/2011	27
296.	Study Visit by Service Officers up to the rank of Colonel and equivalent, undergoing an Orientation Programme at the DHTI, New Delhi	24/02/2011	24/02/2011	60
297.	Study Visit by students from the Media Research Centre, University of Kashmir	23/02/2011	23/02/2011	32
298.	Study Visit by Trainees from the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	22/02/2011	22/02/2011	42
299.	Study Visit by students from the D.E.S. Law College, University of Pune	21/02/2011	21/02/2011	33
300.	Study Visit by Law students from the Surendranath Law College, Kolkata	18/02/2011	18/02/2011	102
301.	Study Visit by Women Municipal Councilors from Karnataka	03/02/2011	03/02/2011	18
302.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Political Science, R.T.M. Nagpur University	02/02/2011	02/02/2011	46
303.	Study Visit by students from the School of Communication Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh	31/01/2011	31/01/2011	51
304.	Study Visit by students from different schools of South Kashmir, arranged by the Indian Army under Operation Sadbhavana	28/01/2011	28/01/2011	37
305.	Study Visit by tribal guests attending the Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi	25/01/2011	25/01/2011	72
306.	Study Visit by students from the Pathways School, Gurgaon	20/01/2011	20/01/2011	7

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307.	Study Visit by students from the Saraswati Bal Mandir Sr. Sec. School, Mehrauli, New Delhi	18/01/2011	18/01/2011	120
308.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants of CSS undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	23/12/2010	23/12/2010	17
309.	Study Visit by trainees from the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	22/12/2010	22/12/2010	17
310.	Study Visit by students from the Springdales School, Pusa Road, New Delhi	21/12/2010	21/12/2010	172
311.	Study Visit by students from the Springdales School, Pusa Road, New Delhi	16/12/2010	16/12/2010	83
312.	Study Visit by students from the Lovely Public School, Delhi	15/12/2010	15/12/2010	40
313.	Study Visit by students from the H.C. Auxilium School, New Delhi	15/12/2010	15/12/2010	47
314.	Study Visit by students of Bachelor of Journalism and Mass Communication Programme (BJMC), Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi	15/12/2010	15/12/2010	53
315.	Study Visit by students from the Springdales School, Pusa Road, New Delhi	15/12/2010	15/12/2010	81
316.	Study Visit by elected student representatives of the University of Rajasthan	09/12/2010	09/12/2010	39
317.	Study Visit by students from the Mumbai Law College, Mumbai	07/12/2010	07/12/2010	26
318.	Study Visit by students from the Presidium School, New Delhi	06/12/2010	06/12/2010	28
319.	Study Visit by a group of students from South Mumbai	06/12/2010	06/12/2010	37
320.	Study Visit by students from the Amar Jyothi School, New Delhi	03/12/2010	03/12/2010	23
321.	Study Visit by students from the B.C.M. Arya Model School, Ludhiana, Punjab	01/12/2010	01/12/2010	45
322.	Study Visit by students and teachers through the Indian Traditions and Heritage Society (ITIHAAS), New Delhi	26/11/2010	26/11/2010	79
323.	Study Visit by participants attending the 24th Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs at the ISTM, New Delhi	25/11/2010	25/11/2010	36
324.	Study Visit by a group of young entrepreneurs from the Delhi Chapter of the Entrepreneurs' Organization	24/11/2010	24/11/2010	32

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325.	Study Visit by students from schools in Andaman & Nicobar Islands	19/11/2010	19/11/2010	16
326.	Study Visit by girl students and volunteers of the NGO, Shikhar, Jamia Nagar	15/11/2010	15/11/2010	30
327.	Study Visit by Law students from the Law College, Burdwan, West Bengal	12/11/2010	12/11/2010	21
328.	Study Visit by students from the St. Joseph's High School, Mariapuram, Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh	09/11/2010	09/11/2010	44
329.	Study Visit by students from a German School under the Student Exchange Programme with the Carmel Convent School, Delhi	02/11/2010	02/11/2010	36
330.	Study Visit by students from a German School under the Student Exchange Programme with the Ahlcon International School, Delhi	29/10/2010	29/10/2010	25
331.	Study Visit by the 2nd Batch of the MIT International School of Broadcasting and Journalism, Pune	29/10/2010	29/10/2010	38
332.	Study Visit by participants attending the Foundational training Programme for Assistants at the ISTM, New Delhi	28/10/2010	28/10/2010	17
333.	Study Visit by UDCs of various Units of the Department of Atomic Energy	26/10/2010	26/10/2010	45
334.	Study Visit by students from the St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad	18/10/2010	18/10/2010	32
335.	Study Visit by Teacher Trainees from the Teacher Training Institute for the Blind and Orthopaedically Handicapped, Poonamallee, Chennai	13/10/2010	13/10/2010	44
336.	Study Visit by Law Students from the University of Burdwan, West Bengal	16/09/2010	16/09/2010	45
337.	Study Visit by Assistants undergoing training at the ISTM, New Delhi	07/09/2010	07/09/2010	40
338.	Study Visit by Officers from the National Defence College, New Delhi	31/08/2010	31/08/2010	105
339.	Study Visit by students from the Sri Venkateswara College, New Delhi	31/08/2010	31/08/2010	45
340.	Study Visit by participants attending the Quarterly Translation Training Course at the Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	26/08/2010	26/08/2010	16
341.	Study Visit by students from the MGD School, Jaipur	26/08/2010	26/08/2010	21

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342.	Training Programme for Officers of the Maharashtra Secretariat	26/08/2010	27/08/2010	22
343.	Study Visit by participants attending the 23rd Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs at the ISTM, New Delhi	25/08/2010	25/08/2010	40
344.	Study Visit by foreign students from 'The Aksharam', Delhi	19/08/2010	19/08/2010	9
345.	Study Visit by students from the Apeejay School, Pitampura, Delhi	18/08/2010	18/08/2010	34
346.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Journalism, Lady Shri Ram College for Women, Delhi	17/08/2010	17/08/2010	30
347.	Study Visit by students from the Law Section, Mohsin College, Hooghly, West Bengal	17/08/2010	17/08/2010	57
348.	Study Visit by students from the Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyalaya, Sonepat, Haryana	11/08/2010	11/08/2010	39
349.	Study Visit by Trainee Police Officers from the North East Police Academy, Meghalaya	06/08/2010	08/08/2010	186
350.	Study Visit by students from the Babu Jagjivan Ram Public School, Sultanpuri, Delhi, and the Babu Jagjivan Ram Public School, Alwar, Rajasthan	06/08/2010	06/08/2010	37
351.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Journalism and Communication Science, Shivaji College, Kolhapur, Maharashtra	30/07/2010	30/07/2010	35
352.	Study Visit by Senior Defence Officers up to the rank of Colonel and equivalent undergoing an Orientation Programme at the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	29/07/2010	29/07/2010	27
353.	Study Visit by participants attending the Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs at the ISTM, New Delhi	27/07/2010	27/07/2010	35
354.	Study Visit by students from the Saffron Public School, Phagwara, Punjab	21/07/2010	21/07/2010	15
355.	Study Visit by participants attending the Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs at the ISTM, New Delhi	29/06/2010	29/06/2010	26
356.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants from ISTM, New Delhi	18/06/2010	18/06/2010	37
357.	Study Visit by participants attending the 20th Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs at the ISTM, New Delhi	17/05/2010	17/05/2010	34
358.	Study Visit by students from the Udavi Gentillesse Matriculation School, Tamil Nadu	10/05/2010	10/05/2010	31

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359.	Study Visit by students from the Bimal Chandra Law College, West Bengal	07/05/2010	07/05/2010	54
360.	Study Visit by students from the Scholars Public School, Rajpura, Punjab	06/05/2010	06/05/2010	54
361.	Study Visit by participants undergoing training at the Central Translation Bureau, Delhi	05/05/2010	05/05/2010	21
362.	Study Visit by students and staff members from the All India Federation of the Deaf	05/05/2010	05/05/2010	40
363.	Study Visit by school students and officials/teachers from Chhattisgarh	05/05/2010	05/05/2010	58
364.	Study Visit by students from Bishop Sergeant Teachers Training Institute, Tamil Nadu	23/04/2010	23/04/2010	97
365.	Study Visit by a delegation of Women Municipal Councillors of Karnataka	25/03/2010	25/03/2010	19
366.	Study Visit by Assistants attending the 154th Assistants Refresher Course at ISTM, New Delhi	25/03/2010	25/03/2010	28
367.	Study Visit by Students from the Law College, Durgapur, West Bengal	19/03/2010	19/03/2010	68
368.	Study Visit by participants attending the 19th Level 'A' Programme for UDCs at ISTM, New Delhi	18/03/2010	18/03/2010	27
369.	Study Visit by students from Namdar Gopal Gokhale School of Communication and Journalism, Nasik, Maharashtra	11/03/2010	11/03/2010	36
370.	Study Visit by students from MIT School of Government, Pune	10/03/2010	10/03/2010	28
371.	Study Visit by students from the Department of Political Science, Shivaji University, Maharashtra	03/03/2010	03/03/2010	19
372.	Study Visit by students of the Department of Communication and Journalism, University of Pune	03/03/2010	03/03/2010	28
373.	Study Visit by students from Govt. Senior Secondary School, Distt. Rewari, Haryana	02/03/2010	02/03/2010	68
374.	Study Visit by students from the Gopaldas Jhamatmal Advani Law College, Bandra, Mumbai	23/02/2010	23/02/2010	52
375.	Study Visit by Teacher Trainees from the Devi Vilasam Teacher Training Institute, Thalavoor, Kerala	18/02/2010	18/02/2010	60
376.	Study Visit by Law Students from the Surendranath Law College, West Bengal	17/02/2010	17/02/2010	110

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377.	Study Visit by Service Officers up to the rank of Colonels and equivalent from the Defence Headquarters Training Institute, Delhi	16/02/2010	16/02/2010	14
378.	Study Visit by Direct Recruit Assistants undergoing training at ISTM, New Delhi	11/02/2010	11/02/2010	33
379.	Study Visit by Law Students from the University of Burdwan, West Bengal	10/02/2010	10/02/2010	42
380.	Study Visit by students from the G.D. Salwan Public School, Rajender Nagar, Delhi	08/02/2010	08/02/2010	60
381.	Study Visit by participants attending the 18th Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs undergoing training at ISTM, New Delhi	01/02/2010	01/02/2010	63
382.	Study Visit by participants attending the 9th Foundation Training Programme for Scientists and Technologists at the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi	15/01/2010	15/01/2010	25
383.	Study Visit by participants attending the 17th Level 'A' Training Programme for UDCs undergoing training at Institute of Secretariat Training and Management (ISTM), New Delhi	07/01/2010	07/01/2010	30
384.	Study Visit by students from the N.B. Thakur Law College, University of Pune, Pune	04/01/2010	04/01/2010	60
385.	Study Visit by the students from University of Rajasthan, Jaipur	24/12/2009	24/12/2009	44
386.	Study Visit by the students from North Maharashtra University, Umavinavar, Jalgaon	22/12/2009	22/12/2009	30
387.	Study Visit by students from Hebron School, Ooty	18/12/2009	18/12/2009	40
388.	Study Visit by the participants from Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	11/12/2009	11/12/2009	22
389.	Study Visit by the students from South Mumbai	10/12/2009	10/12/2009	35
390.	Study Visit by the students of Central Institute of Education, University of Delhi	09/12/2009	09/12/2009	44
391.	Study Visit by students from St. Kabir School, Hisar, Haryana	03/12/2009	03/12/2009	40
392.	Study Visit by the students of D.T.E.A Senior Secondary School, Laxmibai Nagar, New Delhi	26/11/2009	26/11/2009	73
393.	Study Visit by students of M. Phil./Ph.D. of Centre for Study of Law and Governance, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	23/11/2009	23/11/2009	33

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394.	Study Visit by students from St. John's Regional Seminary, Hyderabad	19/10/2009	19/10/2009	27
395.	Study Visit by students from the Rajagiri Higher Secondary School, Kalamassery, Kerala	29/09/2009	29/09/2009	90
396.	Study Visit by students from Jesus and Mary College, New Delhi	22/09/2009	22/09/2009	110
397.	Study Visit by students from the Bengal Law College, Santiniketan, West Bengal	02/09/2009	02/09/2009	19
398.	Study Visit by students from Hooghly Mohsin College, Hooghly	07/08/2009	07/08/2009	62
399.	Study Visit by Defence Officers from the Headquarters Training Institute, New Delhi	06/08/2009	06/08/2009	22
400.	Study Visit by the trainees of Central Translation Bureau, New Delhi	04/08/2009	04/08/2009	13
401.	Study Visit by the Defence Officers attending a Programme at National Defence College, New Delhi	31/07/2009	31/07/2009	125
402.	Study Visit by the students of BCM Arya Model Sr. Sec. School, Ludhiana, Punjab	29/07/2009	29/07/2009	55
403.	Study Visit by Students of Mass Communication from Shivaji University, Kolhapur	14/07/2009	14/07/2009	42
404.	Study Visit by the Students of Journalism & Mass Communication of the State Womens' University, Karnataka	03/07/2009	03/07/2009	21
405.	Study Visit by Trainees of Central Bureau of Translation	08/06/2009	08/06/2009	27
406.	Study Visit for UDCs from various Ministries/ Departments attending the 15th Level 'A' Training Programme at ISTM, New Delhi	27/05/2009	27/05/2009	24
IX.	**INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR FOREIGN PARLIAMENTARY OFFICIALS**			
A.	**Parliamentary Internship Programme**			
1.	29th Parliamentary Internship Programme for Foreign Parliamentary Officials	07/11/2013	06/12/2013	56
2.	28th Parliamentary Internship Programme for Foreign Parliamentary Officials	01/11/2012	30/11/2012	45
3.	27th Parliamentary Internship Programme for Foreign Parliamentary Officials	02/11/2011	02/12/2011	45
4.	26th Parliamentary Internship Programme for Foreign Parliamentary Officials	03/11/2010	03/12/2010	46

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5.	25th Parliamentary Internship Programme for Foreign Parliamentary Officials	04/11/2009	04/12/2009	53
B.	**International Training Programme in Legislative Drafting**			
1.	29th International Training Programme in Legislative Drafting	13/02/2014	14/03/2014	47
2.	28th International Training Programme in Legislative Drafting	14/02/2013	15/03/2013	54
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1.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Processes and Procedures for Foreign Parliamentary Officials from Spanish-speaking Countries	16/09/2013	27/09/2013	11
2.	Special Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Foreign Parliamentary Officials from Arabic-speaking Countries	15/04/2013	26/04/2013	18
D.	**Attachment Programmes for Parliamentary Officials of Foreign Countries**			
1.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for the Officers of the Afghanistan Parliament	24/03/2014	28/03/2014	72
2.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Officers of the Parliament of Myanmar	17/09/2012	21/09/2012	10
3.	Training Programme in Parliamentary Practices and Procedures for Officers of the Parliament of Myanmar	11/06/2012	15/06/2012	20
4.	Special Training Programme for Officers from the National Assembly of Kenya	18/07/2011	29/07/2011	6
X.	**NATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME IN LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING**			
	Training Programme in Legislative Drafting for Officers of the Government of India, State Governments and State Legislature Secretariats	14/01/2013	24/01/2013	24
XI.	**LOK SABHA INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME**			
1.	Lok Sabha Internship Programme, 2011	December 2011	April 2013	5

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2.	Lok Sabha Internship Programme, 2010	July 2010	March 2012	4
3.	Lok Sabha Internship Programme, 2009	February 2009	January 2010	5
4.	Lok Sabha Internship Programme, 2008	February 2008	January 2009	5
XII.	**PROF. HIREN MUKERJEE MEMORIAL ANNUAL PARLIAMENTARY LECTURE**			
1.	4th Prof. Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Parliamentary Lecture by H.E. the Prime Minister of Bhutan, Lyonchhen Jigmi Y. Thinley, on the theme *"Gross National Happiness: A Holistic Paradigm for Sustainable Well-being"*	20/12/2011	20/12/2011	1000
2.	3rd Prof. Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Parliamentary Lecture by Professor Jagdish Bhagwati on the theme *"Indian Reforms: Yesterday and Today"*.	02/12/2010	02/12/2010	
3.	2nd Prof. Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Lecture on *'Social Business: A Step Towards Creating a New Economic and Social Order'* by Prof. Muhamad Yunus	09/12/2009	09/12/2009	
4.	Inaugural Prof. Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Parliamentary Lecture by Nobel Laureate, Prof. Amartya Sen, on *"Demands of Social Justice"*.	11/08/2008	11/08/2008	
XIII.	**LECTURE SERIES FOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**			
1.	"India Human Development Report, 2011: Towards Social Inclusion" by Dr. Santosh Mehrotra, Director General, Institute of Applied Manpower Reseach, Delhi	26/04/2012	26/04/2012	85
2.	"Empowering India through Public Information Infrastructure and Innovations" by Shri Sam Pitroda, Advisor to the Prime Minister, on Public Information Infrastructure and Innovations	23/03/2011	23/03/2011	
3.	"Tryst with Destiny: Progress of Lives of Indian Masses since Independence" by Professor C.R. Rao, Distinguished Professor Emeritus and Advisor, CRR AIMSCS.	23/11/2010	23/11/2010	
4.	"The Unique Identification Project — Issues and Challenges" by Shri Nandan Nilekani, Chairman, Unique Identification Authority of India	16/12/2009	16/12/2009	
5.	"International Financial Crisis and its Impact on India" by Dr. C. Rangarajan, MP	06/08/2009	06/08/2009	
6.	"Monsoon Management and Agricultural Progress in an Era of Climate Change" by Prof. M.S. Swaminathan, MP	28/07/2009	28/07/2009	

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7.	"India`s Foreign Policy: Challenges and Opportunities" by Shri Shivshankar Menon, Foreign Secretary	21/07/2009	21/07/2009	
XIV.	**NOMINATIONS FOR TRAINING ABROAD**			
1.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the Training Programme "Parliamentary Administration: Benchmarking against the UK Parliament", at RIPA International, London	04/11/2013	15/11/2013	12
2.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officer at the Fourth International Seminar on Research Services organised by NARS, Seoul	31/10/2013	02/11/2013	1
3.	Capacity Building Programme for Officers of the Myanmar Parliament at Naypyidaw, Myanmar by Lok Sabha officers	24/10/2013	30/10/2013	2
4.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the Parliamentary Development Practitioners' Meeting, Inter-Parliamentary Union, Geneva, Switzerland	10/10/2013	12/10/2013	2
5.	Professional Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at Australian Parliament, Canberra	02/09/2013	05/09/2013	10
6.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the 79th IFLA Conference and 29th IFLA Pre-Conference in Singapore	15/08/2013	23/08/2013	2
7.	Professional Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at the European Parliament	17/06/2013	21/06/2013	10
8.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the International Legislative Drafting Institute, 2013 at the Public Law Center, New Orleans, USA	10/06/2013	21/06/2013	2
9.	Professional Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat in the House of Commons, UK	10/06/2013	14/06/2013	8
10.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officer at the International Executive Training Programme for Parliamentary Staff, Montreal, Canada	14/04/2013	20/04/2013	1
11.	Professional Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at the US Congress, Washington, DC, USA	08/04/2013	12/04/2013	7
12.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officer at the Parliamentary Officers' Study Programme at the Parliament of Canada, Canada	18/03/2013	28/03/2013	1
13.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the Training Programme "Parliamentary Administration: Benchmarking against the UK Parliament", at RIPA International, London	12/11/2012	23/11/2012	12

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14.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the Asia Regional Association of PACs Annual Meeting at Maldives	10/10/2012	14/10/2012	2
15.	Study Visit by Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat to the European Parliament, Brussels (Belgium)	08/10/2012	12/10/2012	7
16.	28th IFLA Pre-Conference of Library and Research Services for Parliaments, Helsinki, Finland (8-10 August 2012) and 78th IFLA General Conference and Assembly in Helsinki, Finland (11-17 August 2012)	08/08/2012	17/08/2012	2
17.	2012 Symposium to Peer Review the Curriculum of the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training (CPST), National Assembly of Kenya at Nairobi, Kenya	29/07/2012	03/08/2012	1
18.	International Legislative Drafting Programme organized by the Public Law Centre, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA	11/06/2012	22/06/2012	2
19.	Training for PAC Secretariat Staff organized by the Asia Regional Association of Public Accounts Committee (ARAPAC) at Bangkok.	17/05/2012	18/05/2012	2
20.	7th Annual Summer Residency Programme for Public Accounts Committee organized by the Alfred Deakin Research Institute, Deakin University, Victoria, Australia	05/02/2012	11/02/2012	1
21.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the Training Programme in "Parliamentary Administration: Benchmarking against the UK Parliament", at RIPA International, London	31/10/2011	11/11/2011	10
22.	2011 Commonwealth Association of Legislative Counsel Asian Region Conference on "Drafting in the Asian Century: Challenges and Possibilities" in Colombo, Sri Lanka	28/09/2011	30/09/2011	3
23.	27th IFLA Pre-Conference of Library and Research Services for Parliaments, Puerto Rico, USA (11-15 August 2011) and 77th IFLA General Conference and Assembly in Puerto Rico, USA (13-18 August 2011)	11/08/2011	18/08/2011	2
24.	International Legislative Drafting Programme organized by the Public Law Centre, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA	13/06/2011	24/06/2011	3
25.	International Symposium on 'Fundamental to Democracy: Parliamentary Library and Research Services', organized by the Department of Parliamentary Services, Parliament of Australia in Canberra, Australia	28/02/2011	04/03/2011	2
26.	International Seminar for Parliamentary Research Services in Asia, Seoul, South Korea	06/12/2010	09/12/2010	2

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27.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the Training Programme in "Parliamentary Administration: Benchmarking against the UK Parliament", at RIPA International, London	01/11/2010	12/11/2010	10
28.	26th IFLA Pre-Conference of Library and Research Services for Parliaments, Stockholm and 76th IFLA General Conference and Assembly in Gothenburg, Sweden	06/08/2010	15/08/2010	2
29.	25th IFLA Pre-Conference of Library and Research Services of Parliaments, Rome, Italy, and 75th IFLA General Conference and Assembly in Milan, Italy	23/08/2009	27/08/2009	2
XV.	**NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR TRAINING IN INDIA**			
1.	Participation of Lok Sabha Officers at the 76th Hindi Seminar cum Workshop organised by Rajbhasha Sansthan from 29 April to 1 May 2014 at Nainital	28/04/2014	01/05/2014	4
2.	Training Programme in "Public Financial Management and Accountability" for Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat at the International Centre for Information Systems & Audit, Noida	21/04/2014	25/04/2014	20
3.	Management Development Programme for the Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat at the National Academy of Direct Taxes (NADT), Nagpur	13/01/2014	17/01/2014	24
4.	Participation of Lok Sabha Officers at the 4th Hindi Conference and Workshop organised by Rajbhasha Academy at Puri	07/01/2014	09/01/2014	1
5.	Participation of Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat in the 29th All India Conference 2013 organized by IASLIC at Pune	26/12/2013	29/12/2013	2
6.	Participation of Lok Sabha Secretariat Officers in the International Conference on Digital Library 2013, New Delhi	27/11/2013	29/11/2013	2
7.	25th Hindi Conference and Workshop organised by Rajbhasha Avam Prabandhan Vikas Sansthan at Goa	16/10/2013	18/10/2013	2
8.	Management Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at the National Institute of Administrative Research (NIAR), Mussoorie	03/06/2013	07/06/2013	20
9.	22nd All India Official Language Conference and Training Workshop organized by Bhartiya Bhasa Evam Sanskriti Kendra, Delhi	27/05/2013	29/05/2013	3
10.	"Official Language Policy Implementation Workshop" organized by Rajbhasha Avam Prabhandan Vikas Sansthan, Delhi	22/05/2013	24/05/2013	2

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11.	Official Language Policy Implementation Workshop organised by the Mahila Bharatiya Bhasha Evam Saksharta Sansthan at Tirupati	09/04/2013	11/04/2013	3
12.	Management Development Programme for the Officers of the Lok Sabha Secretariat at the National Academy of Direct Taxes (NADT), Nagpur	14/01/2013	18/01/2013	22
13.	21st All India Official Language Conference and Training Workshop organized by Bhartiya Bhasa Evam Sanskriti Kendra, Delhi at Guwahati, Assam	29/10/2012	30/10/2012	3
14.	Foundation/Induction Programme for newly-recruited Executive Officers/Research Officers at the National Institute of Administrative Research (NIAR), Mussoorie	08/10/2012	19/10/2012	20
15.	25th All India Official Language Conference and Training Workshop organized by Bharatiya Bhasha Evam Sanskriti Kendra, Delhi at Puri, Orissa	02/10/2012	04/10/2012	3
16.	Management Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at the National Institute of Administrative Research (NIAR), Mussoorie	01/10/2012	05/10/2012	20
17.	Training Programme on Financial Management at ICISA, NOIDA	24/09/2012	28/09/2012	21
18.	Management Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at the National Institute of Administrative Research (NIAR), Mussoorie	18/06/2012	22/06/2012	20
19.	20th Hindi Conference and Workshop organised by Bharatiya Bhasa Evam Sanskriti Kendra, Delhi in Munnar, Kerala	29/05/2012	31/05/2012	2
20.	72nd (Diamond Jubilee+ 12) Seminar and Hindi Workshop on 'Official Language Hindi in Today's Changing Scenario' organized by Rajbhasha Sansthan in Solan, Himachal Pradesh	25/04/2012	27/04/2012	3
21.	19th All India Rajbhasha Training Conference organized by Bharatiya Bhasha Avam Sanskriti Kendra, Delhi at Jagannath Puri, Orissa	03/11/2011	05/11/2011	3
22.	24th All India Official Language Conference and Workshop organized by Rashtriya Hindi Academy-Rupambra, Kolkata in Mount Abu, Rajasthan	02/10/2011	04/10/2011	3
23.	Management Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at the National Institute of Administrative Research (NIAR), Mussoorie	20/06/2011	24/06/2011	20
24.	20th Hindi Conference and Workshop organised by Rajbhasha Avam Prabandhan Vikas Sanstha in Mysore	24/05/2011	26/05/2011	3

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25.	70th (Diamond Jubilee+ 10) Seminar and Hindi Workshop on 'Official Language Hindi in Today's Changing Scenario' organized by Rajbhasha Sansthan in Solan, Himachal Pradesh	27/04/2011	29/04/2011	5
26.	Training Programme on Financial Management at ICISA, NOIDA	07/06/2010	11/06/2010	22
27.	Management Development Programme for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at NIAR, LBSNAA, Mussoorie	31/05/2010	04/06/2010	18
28.	18th Hindi Conference and Workshop organised by Rajbhasha Avam Prabandhan Vikas Sansthan in Gangtok, Sikkim	25/05/2010	27/05/2010	2
29.	Training Programme in 'Reservation in Services for SC/ST/OBC' for Section Officers/Assistants at ISTM, New Delhi	26/04/2010	29/04/2010	2
30.	Training Programme in Writing Skills for Officers of Lok Sabha Secretariat at the English & Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad	01/02/2010	12/02/2010	16
31.	Training Programme on "Promoting Human Rights: Need for an Information Resources Network" at Lodhi Road, New Delhi	03/11/2009	03/11/2009	1
32.	Training Programme on "Organisational Behaviour" at ISTM, New Delhi	20/07/2009	24/07/2009	2
33.	Training Programme for Lok Sabha Officials on "Inventory Management" at ASCI, Hyderabad	08/06/2009	10/06/2009	1

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ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR
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6 - 11 July 2009 New Delhi
BUREAU OF PARLIAMENTARY STUDIES AND TRAINING
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The Speaker, Lok Sabha, Smt. Meira Kumar and Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Kariya Munda at the Inauguration of Orientation Programme for new members of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha in Parliament House Annexe on 6 July 2009

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Noble Laureate Prof. Muhammad Yunus delivering the 2nd Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Parliamentary Lecture in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 9 December 2009. Also present on the dais are Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Vice-President of India; Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India and Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha

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सायं 6.15, गुरुवार, 2 दिसंबर 2010, केन्द्रीय कक्ष, संसद भवन
6.15 PM, THURSDAY, 2 DECEMBER 2010, CENTRAL HALL, PARLIAMENT

Prof. Jagdish Bhagwati delivering the 3rd Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Parliamentary Lecture in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 2 December 2010. Also present on the dais are Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Vice-President of India; Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India and Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha

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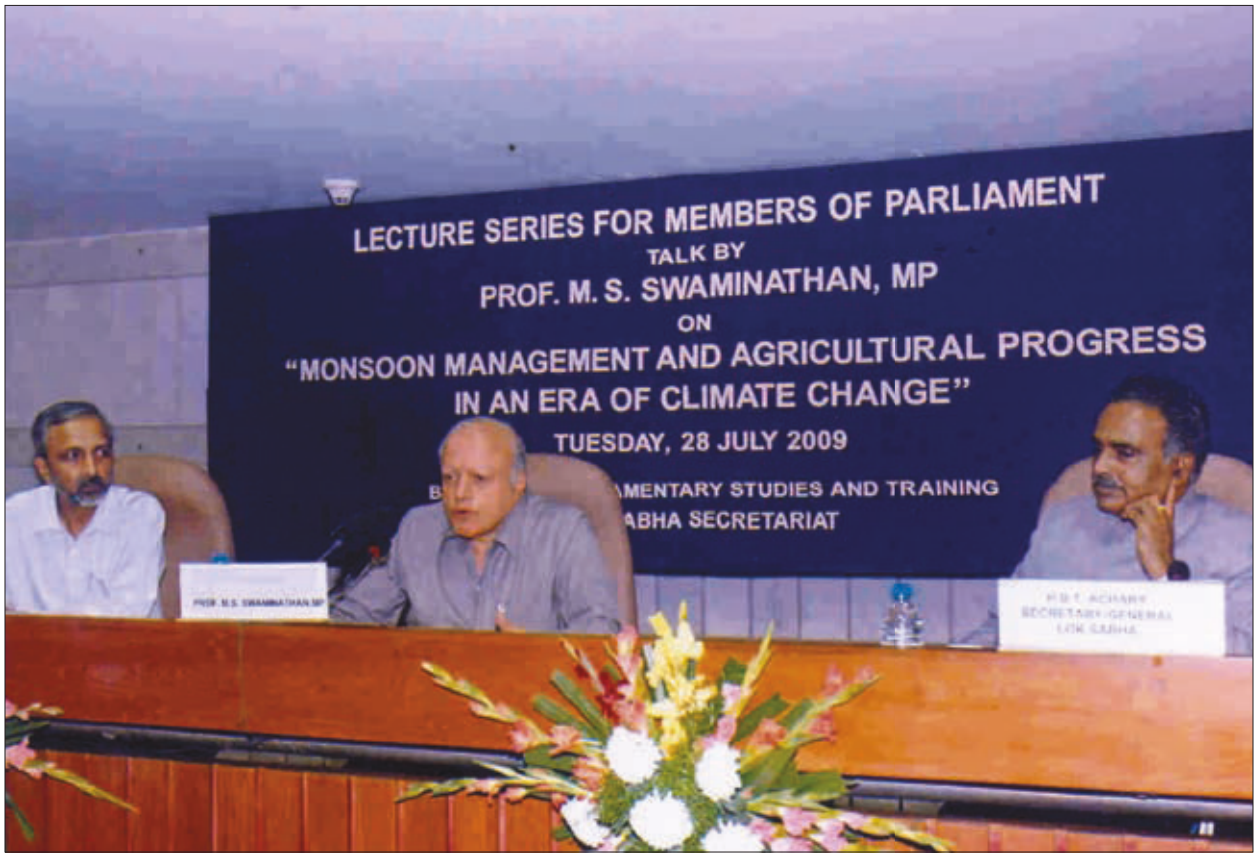
Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bhutan
on
"GROSS NATIONAL HAPPINESS:
A HOLISTIC PARADIGM FOR SUSTAINABLE WELL-BEING"
6.00 PM, TUESDAY, 20 DECEMBER 2011, CENTRAL HALL, PARLIAMENT HOUSE, NEW DELHI

The Prime Minister of Bhutan, H.E. Lyonchhen Jigmi Y. Thinley, delivering the 4th Hiren Mukerjee Memorial Annual Parliamentary Lecture in the Central Hall of Parliament House on 20 December 2011. Also present on the dais are Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Vice-President of India; Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India and Smt. Meira Kumar, Speaker, Lok Sabha

Shri Shivshankar Menon, former Foreign Secretary, delivering a talk on 'India's Foreign Policy : Challenges and Opportunities' in Parliament Library Building on 21 July 2009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Prof. M.S. Swaminathan, MP, delivering a talk on 'Monsoon Management and Agricultural Progress in an Era of Climate Change' in Parliament Library Building on 28 July 2009

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TALK BY
DR. C. RANGARAJAN, MP
ON
"INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CRISIS AND ITS IMPACT ON INDIA"
THURSDAY, 06 AUGUST 2009

Dr. C. Rangarajan, MP and Former Governor of Reserve Bank of India, delivering a talk on 'International Financial Crisis and its Impact on India' in Parliament Library Building on 6 August 2009

LECTURE SERIES FOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT
TALK BY
SHRI NANDAN NILEKANI
CHAIRMAN, UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION AUTHORITY OF INDIA
ON
"THE UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION PROJECT-ISSUES AND CHALLENGES"

Shri Nandan Nilekani, Chairman, Unique Identification Authority of India, delivering a talk on 'The Unique Identification Project—Issues and Challenges' in Parliament Library Building on 16 December 2009

LECTURE SERIES FOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT
TALK BY
PROF. C R RAO
ON
"TRYST WITH DESTINY: PROGRESS IN THE LIVES OF INDIAN MASSES SINCE INDEPENDENCE"
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Prof. C.R. Rao delivering a talk on 'Tryst with Destiny : Progress in the Lives of Indian Masses since Independence' in Parliament Library Building on 23 November 2010

Shri Sam Pitroda, Advisor to the Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh, delivering a talk on 'Empowering India Through Public Information Infrastructure and Innovations' in Parliament Library Building on 23 March 2011

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EDITORIAL AND TRANSLATION SERVICE*

Constitutional and Historical Background

The Editorial and Translation (E&T) Service of the Lok Sabha Secretariat owes its existence to the Constitution of India. When the issue of choosing the Official Language came up before the Constituent Assembly, it preferred to choose Hindi as the Official Language of the Union. A Resolution to adopt Hindi as official language was passed by the Constituent Assembly on 14 September 1949. It was indeed a farsighted and wise decision taken by the founders of the Constitution. In fact, it was the first time that the language of the masses was chosen as the language of the Central Administration. While choosing Hindi as the Official Language, it was clear in the minds of the Constitution makers that the national issues must be resolved amicably keeping in view the national unity and integrity. As such, they made explicit provisions in the Constitution regarding the use of the language in Parliament. Article 120 says:

> "**120. Language to be used in Parliament –**
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> (1) Notwithstanding anything in part XVII, but subject to the provisions of Article 348, business in Parliament shall be transacted in Hindi or in English: Provided that the Chairperson of the Council of States or the Speaker of the House of the People, or person acting as such, as the case may be, may permit the members who cannot adequately express in Hindi or in English to address the House in their mother-tongue.
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> (2) Unless Parliament by law otherwise provides, this Article shall, after the expiration of a period of fifteen years from the commencement of this Constitution, have effect as if the words "or in English" were omitted there from."

The responsibility of promotion and development of Hindi has been entrusted to the Union under Article 351, which reads as under:

> "**351. Directive for development of Hindi Language —** It shall be the duty of the Union to promote the spread of the Hindi language, to develop it so that it may serve as a medium of expression for all the elements of the composite culture of India and to secure its enrichment by assimilating without interfering with its genius, the forms, style and expressions used in Hindustani and in the other languages of India specified in the Eighth Schedule, and by drawing, wherever necessary or desirable, for its vocabulary, primarily on Sanskrit and secondarily on other languages."

This Constitutional provision relating to the Official Language had placed a great responsibility on the Union Government.

At that time of framing of the Constitution, Hindi was considered only a regional language and it was not developed to play its new role of an all India language as envisaged in the Constitution. English was predominantly used in all the spheres of public administration. The same was also the position in Parliament where all the parliamentary work was being done in English. Hindi was then not considered developed enough to express clearly the modern ideas and concepts.

However, Hindi was declared the Official Language and it became necessary to create a Parliamentary literature in Hindi to dispose of routine parliamentary work in an easy language. In order to achieve this objective, Editorial and Translation Service was created in the Lok Sabha Secretariat.

Functions

The Editorial and Translation Service caters to the translation needs of the entire Secretariat. One of the most important tasks of the Service is to prepare edited official report of the proceedings of each day's sitting of Lok Sabha in the form of Lok Sabha Debates known as Original Version of Debates, which is the authoritative record of the proceedings of the House. The edited Original Version of Debate is also put on to Lok Sabha Website. Besides, translated English and Hindi versions of this Original Version are published and circulated to Members, etc. It also prepares indices to all three Versions of Debates.

*Contributed by the Editorial & Translation Service of Lok Sabha Secretariat.

The Service is entrusted with another important task of preparing the Synopsis, both in English and Hindi, of the daily proceedings of Lok Sabha. Other major functions of the E&T Service include translation and vetting of Notices of Questions; Various Parliamentary Papers such as Lists of Business, Bulletins Part-I and Part-II, Private Members' Bills, Private Members' Resolutions, Amendments to Bills, Cut Motions etc., voluminous reports of Parliamentary Committees along with their Lists of Points, Memoranda, Questionnaires, Agenda Papers, Notices, Press Releases, etc. The E&T Service also prepares Hindi version of all the publications brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat.

Lok Sabha Debates

Parliamentary Debates are an important source of information in respect of all Parliamentary activities. The written authenticated record of the proceedings of the supreme representative body of the country is brought out by the E&T Service. The following three Versions of Lok Sabha Debates are printed and circulated among the Members of Parliament, dignitaries, State Legislatures, libraries of repute across the country, other countries and also Commonwealth Parliaments:

- Original Version or Floor Version;
- English Version; and
- Hindi Version.

Of the three Versions, Original Version is prepared by the Editorial Branch of the E&T Service. It involves editing of Floor Version of Debates recorded verbatim by the Reporters' Branch, which is an uncorrected record of the day's proceedings in the House, and incorporating the corrections received from the Members and the Ministers. This version of the Debates contains original English proceedings in English and original Hindi proceedings in Hindi and English/Hindi translation of the regional speeches. This is an authoritative record of the proceedings of the House. From the Thirteenth Session of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, this version is being printed and circulated to the Members as per their choice.

The English version of Lok Sabha Debates contains original proceedings in English along with English translation of the proceedings recorded in Hindi, as also English translation of speeches in other languages, if any. Similarly, the Hindi version includes original proceedings in Hindi and the Hindi translation of proceedings recorded in English and other languages, if any. English and Hindi versions of Debates are also printed and circulated to the Members, etc. and are put on sale to general public. Preparation of English and Hindi versions of Debates involves translation, vetting, comparison, copy work, finalization, scrutiny and screening of proof before final printing of the Debates for circulation and sale. The Members can have only one version of their choice out of the three Versions.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, as many as 347 Debates comprising 2,10,253 manuscript pages were scrutinized and edited for preparing Original Version of Debates. Similarly, 194 Debates of English version containing proceedings in English and translation of original Hindi proceedings consisting of 1,14,400 manuscript pages were edited and translated. As regards Hindi version, 197 Debates containing original Hindi proceedings in Hindi as also Hindi translation of speeches delivered in English and regional languages, comprising 1,18,200 manuscript pages were edited and translated.

Constituent Assembly Debates

The Lok Sabha Secretariat maintains record of the proceedings of the Constituent Assembly (CA) Debates. The Editorial Branch of E&T Service has been entrusted with the responsibility of printing and publication of the CA Debates, both in English and Hindi. Orders for reprinting of 1500 sets of English version and 500 sets of Hindi version of CA Debates have been placed in February 2014. The English Version of CA Debates consists of a set of five volumes and the Hindi Version of CA Debates consists of a set of ten volumes. These are priced publications available on sale.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of Lok Sabha

The Synopsis Branch of the Editorial and Translation Service brings out daily Synopsis of the Debates. It is a list of important suggestions and points made during the Debates. For this purpose, this Branch works in tandem with the Reporters Branch. The officers of this Branch witness the proceedings of the House during their turn so as to get the first hand knowledge of the business transacted, which helps them in rendering foolproof Synopsis. The details of the arguments advanced, motions or amendments moved, papers laid on the Table and other formal items of business are not included therein. It is brought out simultaneously in Hindi and in English, got printed overnight, and circulated to the Members, the Ministers etc. early in the morning and well before the start of the next day's sitting.

Synopsis of Debates is the most popular publication of the E&T Service and it always remains in great demand by the Ministers, the Members and the media persons. English Version of the Synopsis is put on the Lok Sabha Website the same day while Hindi Version of the Synopsis is put on the Website next day.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 1092 Issues of Synopsis of Debates (Hindi and English versions) have been brought out comprising 36,618 pages after scrutiny of as many as 1,47, 672 pages of English and Hindi Debates.

The Service is also responsible for bringing out verbatim (corrected) proceedings as well as Synopsis of the proceedings of National and International Parliamentary Seminars and Conferences taking place at New Delhi.

Lok Sabha Debates and Synopsis of Debates on Lok Sabha Website

In order to disseminate information about the proceedings of Lok Sabha online, Editorial and Translation Service is putting the Original edited version of Debates and Synopsis of Debates on Lok Sabha Website also. At present, both Editorial Branch and Synopsis Branch of the Service are doing this job respectively.

The E&T Service started putting edited Original Version of Debates on Lok Sabha Website with effect from the Budget Session (Part II) of the Eleventh Lok Sabha, and the first edited Original Version of Debates put on the Website was related to the Lok Sabha proceedings of 30 April 1997. From the Tenth Session of the Fourteenth Lok Sabha, the Editorial Branch has been uploading the Debates directly on to the Lok Sabha Website through software specially developed for this purpose. These proceedings are now available on the Website for online retrieval throughout the world at Parliament of India Website *http://parliamentofindia.nic.in/* and Lok Sabha Website *http://loksabha.nic.in/*

The Synopsis Branch of the E&T Service started putting the English Version of the Synopsis of Debates on the Lok Sabha Website with effect from the Fourth Session of the Thirteenth Lok Sabha *i.e.* 24 July 2000 whereas the Hindi version of the Synopsis is being put on the Lok Sabha Website from 12 February 2009 (Fifteenth Session of Fourteenth Lok Sabha). Now, both English and Hindi Versions of Synopsis are available at the above Websites.

Indices to Lok Sabha Debates

Indices to English and Hindi versions of Debates are prepared with a view to facilitate references and access to the deliberations of the Lok Sabha on a particular subject. The indices are prepared and published session-wise. The Debates are indexed in accordance with the various items of business dealt with in the House. Entries are also made in the names of the Members participating in the debate including the Ministers. However, in case of 'Question and Answers' no entries in respect of the Ministers, etc., are included in the indices. Entries in respect of Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Chairperson are also not made. In case of Hindi version of debates, only subject indices are prepared. The job of preparing indices to both English and Hindi versions of Debates is fully computerized.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 5 Indices of 89 Original Version of Debates of the Fifteenth Lok Sabha comprising 5000 pages, 21 Indices of 1213 English Version of Debates of the Ninth to Fifteenth Lok Sabhas comprising 21,000 manuscript pages and 25 Indices of 1039 Hindi Version of debates comprising 25,000 manuscript pages have been printed.

Unparliamentary Expressions

In the course of deliberations in legislative bodies *viz.* Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, State Legislatures and also in the Houses of Parliaments of Commonwealth countries, Members, Ministers, etc. sometime utter certain words or expressions which are ruled as 'Unparliamentary' by the Chair. The E&T Service brings out annual compilation of such expressions known as 'Unparliamentary Expressions' for department use only. It also updates the main publication 'Unparliamentary Words and Expressions" by merging the annual issues after every five years.

Lok Sabha Questions

The E&T Service has two Branches, namely Translation (OIH-Q) Branch and Translation (EQ) Branch for translation and vetting of notices of Questions, which are received from the Question Branches for inclusion in the Questions Lists. These notices are received in English as well as in Hindi.

The Translation (OIH-Q) Branch provides English translation of notices of Questions received originally in Hindi. This Branch also undertakes English translation of Notices of Half-an-Hour Discussion, Short Notice Questions (SNQs) and letters of MPs addressed in Hindi to the Speaker/Dy. Speaker/Secretary-General about their Questions.

The Translation (EQ) Branch is responsible for the preparation of Hindi version of notices of Questions received in English. Apart from this, the Branch undertakes scrutiny of proofs of Lists of Questions (Hindi version). This Branch also undertakes translation of other miscellaneous items of work like letters, papers, etc. as and when received from the Question Branches.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, 1,35,670 Notices of Starred/Unstarred Questions were translated from English to Hindi by Translation (EQ) Branch and 1,52,501 Notices of Starred/Unstarred/Short Notice Questions/Half-an-Hour Discussions were translated from Hindi to English by Translation (OIH-Q) Branch of the Service.

Private Members' Bills and Resolutions, List of Business, Bulletins Part-I and Part II, Amendments to Bills, etc.

Translation (Parliamentary Papers) Branch undertakes the translation of Private Members' Bills and Resolutions; Amendments to Government Bills, and translation of various Parliamentary Papers *viz.* Lists of Business, Bulletin Part I & Part II, Cut Motions, Notices of Calling Attention Motions, Summons; Amendments to Motion of Thanks on President's Address, work emanating from Conference Branches, Legislative Branches I & II, Parliamentary Notice Office, Table Office, etc. from English into Hindi and vice versa.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Service translated a total of 1,13,242 pages of material comprising Private Members' Bills as also Government Bills (14,452 pages), Lists of Business (11,694 pages), Bulletins Part I and II (34,280 pages), Notices under different Rules (7,078 pages), Amendments, Cut Motion, etc. (5,000 pages).

Parliamentary Committee Reports

At present, the Service has five Committee Branches namely Translation (Committee-I), Translation (Committee-II), Translation (Committee-III), Translation (Committee-IV) and Translation (Committee-V) for undertaking translation of the Reports of various Parliamentary Committees. These Branches mainly provide Hindi translation of Reports, Minutes, Memos, Agenda Papers, List of Points, and Questionnaires etc. of various Parliamentary Committees including Departmentally Related Standing Committees of the Lok Sabha and other *ad-hoc* Committees constituted from time to time.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, as many as 1235 Committee Reports comprising 1,57,791 pages were translated. Besides, 1,41,234 pages of miscellaneous items of work, *viz.* Lists of Points, Notifications, Reminders, Study Tour Notes, Agenda Papers, Press Releases, Minutes of Sittings, Representations, speeches of Chairpersons, etc. connected with the functioning of the Committees were translated.

Parliamentary Publications; Material from Lok Sabha Television (LSTV), Right to Information (RTI) Cell and Parliamentary Forums

This service, through its Translation (Publications) Branch, renders translation of various publications, Bio-data, Profiles, Monographs, Information Folders, Speeches of Speaker, Deputy Speaker, VIPs and other dignitaries, Write-ups for Exhibitions, Booklets, Who's Who, etc. and also undertakes translation of all other miscellaneous items of work *viz.* letters, Gazette Notifications, Memos, Circulars received from Speaker/Deputy Speaker/Secretary General's Office and other Services/Branches in the Secretariat. In addition, this Branch also caters to the translation needs of the work emanating from Library and Reference, Research, Documentation and Information Service(LARRDIS) and several Branches of Legislative, Financial, Committees, Executive and Administrative Service (LAFEAS). This Branch has been assigned the task of translation of the material received from LSTV, RTI Cell and Parliamentary Forums.

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha as many as 70,734 pages of Parliamentary publications and other items of work were translated by the Service and the Hindi Version of the following prestigious publications of Parliamentary and historical significance were also brought out by the Service:

- Strengthening Parliamentary Democracy — Selected Speeches of the Speaker, Somnath Chatterjee
- Parliament of India – 13th Lok Sabha – A Study
- Who's Who of Members of 15th Lok Sabha
- Synoptic Who's Who of 15th Lok Sabha
- Practice and Procedure by Kaul and Shakdher
- Honouring National Leaders – Statues and Portraits in Parliament Complex
- Parliament of India – 14th Lok Sabha – A Study
- The Indian Parliament
- Brief Introduction of Members of 15th Lok Sabha
- Presidential Ordinances, 1950-2009
- Presidential Rule in States and Union Territories
- Indian Parliamentary Companion – 1st to 15th Lok Sabha
- Finance Ministers' Budget Speeches, 1947-2011

- Sixty Years of Lok Sabha – A Study
- Speakers of Lok Sabha
- Former Speakers of Lok Sabha

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Hindi Website of Lok Sabha

The Hindi Website of Lok Sabha is presently operated and maintained by the 'Hindi Information Unit' under Rajbhasha Prabhag of the Editorial and Translation Service. The people and their representatives are now accessing the information on parliamentary activities online in Hindi.

The Site is being enriched in a phased manner and the information under the following heads is available on this Site.

- Bulletin Part-I and Part-II
- List of Business
- List of Private Members' Business
- Resume of Work
- Question Lists
- Synopsis
- Hindi Debate
- Statement of Work
- Speeches of Hon. Speaker and Press Releases
- Events
- Sansadiya Manjusha
- Kendriya Adhiniyam Saar
- Committee Reports (Business Advisory Committee)

One can visit this Website directly at *http://loksabhahindi.nic.in/* or at *http://loksabha.nic.in/* and then clicking *'Hindi Site'*. Suggestions for further improvement of this Site can be forwarded to Hindi Information Unit at *hindiweb.ls@sansad.nic.in*.

Rajbhasha Prabhag

The broad functions of the Rajbhasa Prabhag are: (i) Publication of two Hindi periodicals of the Secretariat; (ii) Implementation of various Constitutional and Statutory Provisions pertaining to propagation of Official Language Hindi and Promotion of progressive use of Hindi in the official work of the Secretariat; and (iii) Planning and Implementation of Training Programmes (in coordination with the BPST) for providing Professional Training to Editors, Assistant Editors, Translators and Hindi Assistants as well as officers and staff of the Secretariat.

The Rajbhasha Prabhag brings out the following periodicals in Hindi:-

(i) Sansadiya Patrika

This informative and important periodical is published quarterly and contains contributions from well-known writers/experts in Hindi on Constitutional and Parliamentary subjects.

(ii) Kendriya Adhiniyam Saar

This quarterly periodical contains synopsis of all the Acts passed by both the Houses of Parliament and assented to by the President

during the particular quarter. The main purpose of the periodical is to provide a gist in Hindi of the latest Central Acts.

(iii) Sansadiya Manjusha

This biannual magazine contains articles on the subject of Parliamentary interests as well as of literary aptitude in the form of stories, poems, etc. contributed by the Members of Lok Sabha and the Officers and the Staff of the Lok Sabha Secretariat. It also includes regular features such as "From Constituent Assembly Debates", Extracts from Kaul and Shakdher on matter of general Parliamentary interests, 'Ateet ke Jharoke Se' featuring past parliamentary precedents, old stories from the days of formation of the Secretariat and milestone decisions from old files.

Rajbhasha Prabhag is also responsible for preparation of Messages in Hindi on behalf of the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker on requests received from various Institutions/Organisations, Publishers, Charitable Trusts, and eminent persons. It prepares speeches in Hindi for use by the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker in the functions of national importance.

In addition to this, briefs in Hindi are also prepared by this Branch for use by the Speaker for Radio Talks/ TV interviews as and when required.

Preparation of Documentation Series on various subjects and briefs in Hindi on current affairs for use by MPs are also among the items of work assigned to this Prabhag.

The Prabhag undertakes organization of Hindi exhibitions, holding of Hindi Seminars, Hindi Fortnight (Pakhwaras) and other similar activities aimed at promoting progressive use of Hindi in the day-to-day work of the Secretariat.

Sansadiya Pradeepika

Translation (OIH-Q) Branch of Editorial and Translation Service brings out a publication titled "**Sansadiya Pradeepika"**. It is a compilation of Parliamentary Terms and Phrases in a comprehensive manner, which is updated from time to time. It has been prepared with a view to standardize the Hindi equivalents of the Terms and Expressions more frequently used in English version of the Lok Sabha Debates, Questions, Synopsis, various Committee Reports, Parliamentary Bulletins Part-I and II and amendments etc. This compilation is useful in maintaining uniformity in Hindi translation of the Parliamentary Terms and Expressions. It has been found helpful by the Officers and the staff of the Secretariat in performing official work in Hindi and also to the Members of Lok Sabha.

Revision/Updation of Procedure and Practice Manuals

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, the Branches of Editorial and Translation Service executed the job of revising and updating the Procedure and Practice Manuals so as to make them informative and illustrative. Necessary changes and modifications have been effected and new items of work have also been incorporated. The words and phrases that are frequently used in various Branches of the Service have been standardized in translation. Various samples, formulae and standard usages have been incorporated in the Manual to facilitate the Officers and the Staff of the Branches to bring about uniformity and accuracy in the rendering and also to help the new incumbents joining the Branches to easily understand and adapt to the functioning of the Branches.

Participation in Hindi Sammelans and Training Programs

During the Fifteenth Lok Sabha, Officers of the Service attended the 9th Vishwa Hindi Sammelan held at Johannesburg (22 to 24 September 2012) and also Rajbhasha Sammelans organized by the Rashtriya Hindi Academy, the Rajbhasha Sansthan, etc. Officers of the Service were also nominated to attend the Management Development Programmes organized by the National Institute of Administrative Research, Mussoorie and training at the Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad.

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SALE OF PARLIAMENTARY PUBLICATIONS/SOUVENIRS*

With a view to meeting the demands of members of Parliament, Government Departments/Ministries and the general public for Parliamentary Publications brought out by the Lok Sabha Secretariat periodically, a Sales Counter functions at the Reception Office of the Parliament House. Sale across the Sales Counter to customers (Government or private individuals) is strictly against cash payment for which cash receipts are issued. Requests for the supply of parliamentary publications from outstation customers, other than Government Departments/Ministries, are met on receipt of their cost and postage in advance. The exact amount required to be remitted to the Secretariat towards the cost and postage is communicated to the customers on receipt of their requests.

For all publications required to be sent abroad by air mail, postage is to be paid by the customers. Requests for the supply of Parliamentary Publications and papers from customers in foreign countries are also processed on receipt of a bank draft in favour of Drawing and Disbursing Officer (D.D.O), Lok Sabha Secretariat, Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi, for the amount covering the price of the publication(s) as well as the postage likely to be incurred on their dispatch.

Sale of Parliamentary Publications through the Agents

The Lok Sabha Secretariat appoints its own agents at various places throughout India for selling Parliamentary Publications. The agent is required to deposit a sum of Rs. 5,000/- in advance. 25 per cent discount is given to all agents on all the Publications, except the Caligraphed copies of the Constitution of India.

Sales against Deposit Accounts

Customers (Government or private individuals) who desire to be on the regular mailing list for any Parliamentary Publication are required to deposit a sum of Rs. 2,000/- in advance. With this amount, a Deposit Account is opened in the name of the individual/party and publications are sent by Registered Post. The cost of the publications and postage incurred thereon are debited against the respective Deposit Account. Publications are also supplied by ordinary book-post, at their risk, if the customers so desire. The Deposit Account is required to be replenished when it is near exhaustion.

Sale through Publications Division

Sale of Parliamentary Publications is also conducted through the Publications Division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and through their outlets. The sale proceeds thereof are deposited by the Publications Division direct in the Government head. They only send quarterly statement of sale proceeds of Parliamentary Publications.

Details of the sale of Parliamentary Publications, Budget sets during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha are shown below at **Statement 53.**

STATEMENT 53

Sale of Parliamentary Publications/Papers and Budget Sets during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Year	Parliamentary Publications/ Budget Sets	No. of copies Sold	Total Amount (Rs.)
1	2	3	4
2009 (May to December)	(i) Publications	961	16,80,961
	(ii) Budget Sets (February & June)	1443	

*Contributed by Sales and Records Section, Lok Sabha Secretariat.

1	2	3	4
2010	(i) Publications	4692	21,16,144
	(ii) Budget Sets	1075	
2011	(i) Publications	4468	19,66,042
	(ii) Budget Sets	953	
2012	(i) Publications	1881	21,07,159
	(ii) Budget Sets	730	
2013	(i) Publications	2623	18,91,472
	(ii) Budget Sets	731	
2014 (upto April 2014)	(i) Publications	536	4,59,992
	(ii) Budget Sets	74	

Sale of Souvenir Items

Some Souvenir items with Parliament of India logo can be purchased on cash payment from the Sales Counter located in the Reception Office, Parliament House, New Delhi, between 1000 hrs. and 1500 hrs. or from the Souvenir Shop of the Parliament Museum in the Parliament Library Building, New Delhi between 1100 hrs. and 1700 hrs. on all working days.

The sale proceeds of Souvenir items are deposited with the Budget and Payment Branch of the Lok Sabha Secretariat on daily basis. The details of amount collected against the sale of Souvenir items during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha is given below at **Statement 54.**

STATEMENT 54

Sale of Souvenir items with Logo of Parliament House and Parliament Museum during the Fifteenth Lok Sabha

Year	Total Amount (in Rs.)
2009 (From May to December)	16,99,748
2010	22,50,944
2011	25,68,592
2012	19,69,000
2013	32,50,964
2014 (Till April 2014)	11,38,221

GROUP PHOTOGRAPH OF MEMBERS OF FIFTEENTH LOK SABHA

(02-12-2010)

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